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LAND OF MIRACLES!

THE NEGRO AND THE SOUTH—HIS WORK AND PROGRESS.

WEAKER RACES MISREPRESENTED

Synopsis of an Address Delivered Before the United States Indian Industrial School, Carlisle, Pa., by Prof. W. H. Councill, Normal, Ala.

No three hundred years of human history have presented such wonderful evolutions as the three hundred years of Negro American history. Four millions of industrious Christians were evolved in the South from four million savages.

From four millions of penniless Negroes have evolved in thirty-nine years ten millions of citizens worth a billion dollars, right in the land of their bondage. From eight million white slave-holders have evolved fifteen million white tax payers who support churches and schools for their former slaves. The contribution to Negro education and religion, in proportion to the ability of the South, exceeds that of any other section of the country. The North, East and West, with limited resources, have had a hundred years of almost unbroken prosperity. The South has been the scene of conflicts. Vast armies have thundered over her and wasted her life. Her whole social and commercial fabric was destroyed. Yet out of this wreck she has crawled, and with the new order of things, promises more excellent development.

Our slave plantations have been turned into industrial schools for the old slaves. Masters' old mansions turned into colleges for the slaves, and old slaves are presidents of these colleges. Normal, which I have the honor to represent, was once a famous inn and race track. There stood the distillery. There stood the grogshop. There stood the auction block, whereupon the Negro was sold. To day it is one of the largest Negro Collegiate and Industrial schools in the world, and every man on its board of trustees was a commissioned officer in the Confederate army.

The prophet has said: "The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light. They that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined." All this has taken place in my day in the South.

Thus while all the outside world discusses solution, the glorious old South goes from one triumph to another in the process of evolution in thought and industry. This is our work in the South. By it the law of love shall reign supreme in all the land, and gentle peace shall come to abide forever in the Negro cabin, in the white man's mansion.

Whatever lifts up the white race in the South must lift up the Negro race. Breathe into the white boys and girls of the South intelligence, justice, truth, mercy and industry, and the Negro will be benefitted. Nothing has ever been in my way but ignorance, either on my own part, or the part of the other man. There is but one superiority and that is the superiority of virtue. That man is superior who does the superior thing to lift mankind to superior conditions.

THROUGH THE SLAVE PEN.

I came through the Richmond slave pen to this platform upon which I stand. I do not regret the hard struggles of my life and the bitter experiences necessary, to my growth; for after all, adversity tests and develops man. Let us all who toil and struggle, take heart and labor on. Let us be concerned about only one thing, and that is, how to be a useful and helpful man in the world. When hungry and weary, darkness all around me, naked and bare, in the midst of these trials, when a small boy, I walked forth one night, my eyes turned toward the stars in heaven, my only witnesses. With tears flowing down my black cheeks, my little hand upraised, I promised God that if He would help me to be a man, I would try to make conditions more favorable for all other little boys and girls in the world. It was a great promise, but I have tried to keep it, without regard to race or color. I know no better way to show my love to God than to serve my fellowman.

WEAKER RACE MISREPRESENTED.

Races in superior condition by their own measurements set up standards for all other people. These standards they maintain and force upon weaker races by ridicule, abuse, misrepresentation or the sword. Even good Shakespeare dared not strike direct at the corruption of the Elizabethan Court. He digs up an unnatural being who had been dead a hundred years that Lord Burleigh might see himself in Richard III. When he would reform his own land and rid it of certain vices he goes to the despised Jew for the Shylocks of England. It seems difficult for strong races to do justice to weaker ones. Each race must write its own history and interpret its own aspirations.

The Negro is often vastly different from what he is represented to be. There are two widely different standpoints from which this much ignorantly discussed and often badly abused people are viewed: the point of view of the over ardent friend, and the point of view of the malignant enemy. Both are dangerous. One prepares the public mind to expect too much of the Negro. The other prepares the public to cry: "There is a nigger! Hit him! Kill him!" There are few men who post themselves before speaking or writing on the so-called Negro question. The Negro suffers by the ignorance of men who talk and write about him without studying him. I cannot for a moment entertain the doctrine of native racial superiority. I could have no respect for a God who would make races inferior and then hold them equal to the superior races in moral accountability. The Anglo-Saxon has raised itself to superior condition. He deserves the credit. He has centuries of struggles, barbarous practices, imitation of other races, civilizing influences behind him. No people have been greater imitators. He has copied from all ages and all lands—and everywhere from despised races. He got his religion from the Jew, his chemistry and geometry from the copper-colored Egyptian, his arithmetic and algebra from the black Arab, his paper, gunpowder and printing from the yellow race.

A NATION IN A NATION.

The growth of "a nation in a nation" in the South is marvelous. The attempt to unrace either, to harmonize their varying natural characteristics has been as unreasonable as to alter any other natural irresistable forces. To change the nature of a people means to kill that people. To help it develop in its own sphere of usefulness, "after its kind," means life. We have in the South two distinct, widely varying races. They differ in everything which makes up social life, just as other races differ in their social makeup. These distinct characteristics cannot be changed. Any attempt to alter them fails and produces harm. In their industrial life there is no need of friction—no need of racial antagonism. The Negro may prosper. The white man may prosper. No man should fail. Let the strong white man do justice, North and South, to the Negro, and to all weaker peoples—justice everywhere.

HIGHER EDUCATION.

It is now unpopular to speak for higher education. But no common grade of mind produces the achievements in art, science and literature which welcomed the 20th century. Babylon stood upon the shoulders of achievements of earlier centuries. Greece stood upon the shoulders of Babylonian learning. Rome stood on the shoulders of Greek culture, there holding aloft a torch which has thrown its light across twenty centuries generating activities which have burst forth into the radiant glories of our own times. No common grade of mind produced the thinkers and inventors who have blessed the human race. Brain must underlie everything in the world. Mind is the fulcrum upon which the industrial lever rests that moves the universe. I set no limitations upon mind attainment. I limit learning to no class, no profession. I would pour into the souls of the blacksmith and carpenter, farmer and merchant, "the man with the hoe," the cook and chambermaid, into all of God's creatures everything that is possible for man to know. I would sweeten toil by learning. I would bring peace to society by Christian culture. I would drive out strikes, mobs, riots and bloodshed by the exaltation of the God in man. I would spiritualize matter. I would not materialize man. I would lift up matter. I would not cast down man. I would not tear down a single mountain, but I would raise every valley to the evevation of the highest peak on earth.

NEGRO EDUCATION AGAINST CRIME.

It is charged that the colleges, academies, seminaries, normal and industrial schools scattered over the South since the war have not made the Negro better. If that is so, it is unwise to dedicate another building to the education of the Negro. But the charge is not true. Crime is not committed because of education, but because of the lack of the proper kind of education. Negro criminals are of the most illiterate, stupid and besotted element. They come from among that class which has not yet been reached by the process of education and true civilization. The white South has acted admirably, the North has given grandly, the Negro has done well for himself. Yet there still hovers over us a black cloud of ignorance which cannot be removed by disfranchising the Negro, nor by any injustice or oppression. This nation must soon or late adopt measures to lift up its ignorant masses.

The Negro criminal element (census 1890) is about 33 to 10,000 of the Negro population, or 24,272 for the whole race in the United States. It is admitted by all that 40 per cent. of Negro illiteracy has been wiped out since freedom; or 2,800,000 Negroes out of 7,000,000 have learned to read and write. Of the 24,272 Negro criminals, 54.13 per cent or 13,138 can neither read nor write. So in 2,800,000 Negroes who can read and write, there are 11,134 criminals, according to Government statistics kept by the men who make, construe and execute all laws in this country. Do these statistics justify the assertion, born of ignorance and often promulgated by prejudice, that education is injuring the Negro and ruining this country?

[CONTINUED NEXT WEEK.]

HON. EDWARD V. FITZPATRICK,

Of Portland, candidate for Clerk of the Supreme Court of Indiana.

Mr. Fitzpatrick, who is carrying with him more than the ordinary following, has already forged well to the front and is now regarded all over the state as one of the candidates who is bound to be strong when the Republican State Convention meets to make up its ticket. He is a young man who has won his present position and popularity solely through his individuality and untiring energy. He is a native of Indiana who began life in a modest way, but with a determination to forge to the front. He has been twice elected Clerk of the Jay Circuit Court in the face of determined opposition and a slender party majority, each time leading his ticket. Mr. Fitzpatrick is a splendid campaigner and has rendered valuable service to his party, and in the conduct of his office has given entire satisfaction to all the people of his county without regard to party affiliation.

In his desire to secure the nomination for Clerk of the Supreme Court, Mr. Fitzpatrick will have the support of every Republican in Jay county, as well as the support of a very large number of the most prominent Republicans throughout the state. He is one of those men whom it is always a pleasure to meet; he is active, generous and warm hearted and never forgets a friend. He is making an active canvas and before the convention meets he will have visited every section of the state, and there will be few delegates in that convention who do not know Ed. Fitzpatrick, "the hustler from Jay."

Jay county is one of the closest politically in the state, and his friends are calling attention to the fact that Fitzpatrick on the State ticket will insure a Republican member in the next Legislature from a county that is always regarded as doubtful, and in this every Republican in the state is interested.

That Mr. Fitzpatrick possesses the necessary qualifications is not questioned, on the other hand it is certain he is entirely capable for the position, and would fill it with dignity and to the entire satisfaction of the people of the state.

Carrolton Breeze.

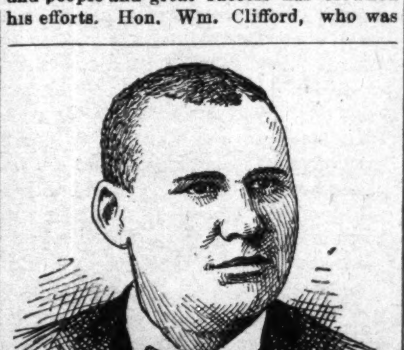
Carrolton, Mo. Special.—The Willing Workers of which Mr. A. Thomas is leader met at the Smith and Lane store, Monday. The North Star, of which Mr. Henderson is leader met at the Second Baptist church. Memorial service was preached at the second Baptist church in honor of Moses Dickson who died at St. Louis. The lady court of which Mrs. Triggers is president, turned out.

Don't pose. Affectation is a bar to respect and confidence.

REVIVALS IN PROGRESS.

Hon. Wm. Clifford Receives a Plum from Senator Hanna.

Cleveland, O., Special.—Several of the churches have been conducting successful revival services since the first of the year and many souls have been saved. The meeting of the St. John's A. M. E. church, Erie street, Rev. Bundy pastor, has been well attended and the interest taken by the members is good. Quite a number have been reclaimed and united to the Shiloh Baptist church, Sterling ave., Rev. Dandridge, pastor. Rev. Dandridge, is a progressive man and has labored hard for his congregation and people and great success has crowned his efforts. Hon. Wm. Clifford, who was



HON. WILLIAM CLIFFORD.

recently defeated for the Legislature has recieved a clerkship in the Treasury Department at Washington, through the efforts of Senator Hanna. Mr. Hatcher the popular tonsorial art s has fitted up a neat shop at 71 Bolivar street and will be pleased to see his many friends there. Messrs Smith and Hatcher also opened a billiard parlor in connection with the barber shop. The Freeman can also be found there. The Thad A. Stevens Relief Corps, No. 229 will give an Owl bake and 'Possum supper Friday evening Feb. 14 at Woodliffe hall, in aid of their benefit fund. Mrs. Alice Young president. Mr. Wm. H. Harris 536 Broadway has branched out into the contracting and architect business and is meeting with success. He has secured contracts for several buildings which he will begin erecting soon as the weather will permit. Robert cheeks who sustained a broken ankle while employed at the Central Blast Furnaces sometime ago is getting along nicely at the St. Alexis hospital, and is expected to be out soon. The police made a raid Monday night on a Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, who occupied rooms on lower Broadway. With the Lewis's a white man was also arrested. The trio were charged with making counterfeit money. The moulds and other paraphernalia were confiscated. It is claimed the half dollars were good counterfeits and were hard to detect.

Vapor City News.

Hot Springs, Ark., Special.—Mr. Harry Freeman and Miss. Rebecca Coleman were married Wednesday night, Jan. 22, at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Woods on Cliff street. Rev. A. Torrence, officiated afterwhich they went to the residence of Mrs. S. A. Levels on Walnut street where a swell reception was given in honor of the bride and groom. They received many valuable presents. Among some of the many present were, Mesdames George Woolridge, Lawrence Shepard, Wm. Yancy; Misses Minnie and Viola Fielding, Minnnie Harris Pearl Tinsley and Messrs Frank Woolridge Eugene Henderson and Will Nash. The Freeman wishes them a bright future. Dr. M. A. Williams, 206 Church-st. Mrs. Minerva Davis, who has been visiting her son H. F. Foster and her daughter-in-law Nancy Foster, left for her home in Mississippi, Thursday, Feb., 6. Among some of the arrivals in Hot Springs for the season are Messrs Ash and Forbes, of Chicago, Ill.; Henry Lawson of Dyersburg, Tenn.; Willie Adams and Robt. McLemore, of Memphis, Tenn., Wm. Green of Greenville, Miss., Jap Murphy, of Bloomington, Ind. Mr. Lewis Williams succeeded Mr. James Boyd as headwaiter of the St. Charles Hotel, Jan 19. The Freeman will be found every Saturday at Prof. Andrew Stuart's optical store, 114 Malvern ave., for 5cents a copy, H. F. Foster, general, agent. All news for publication should be addressed to H. F. Foster, 5 Sparrow street. Mr. and Mrs. Malachi Kauffman, formerly residents of Little Rock who have been on an extended tour to points in Missouri, Illinois and Michigan, have made their arrival in Hot Springs for the season. C. L. Fowler, a well known waiter from Tacoma Wash., is here for the treatment of his eyes.

Flickering Flashes.

Elyria, O., Special.—H. H. Leach reports a good business at his new stand. Mrs. A. Long, of Oberlin, is in the city visiting her niece, Mrs. McCoy, on Pine street. C. W. Cordin, after serving three years and nine months with the 25th Infantry in the Philippines, has returned to his home in this city in poor health. It is interesting to hear him tell of his experience while there. Mr. Harvy has returned from Oberlin, and says everything is lovely. Mrs. S. Grant, Mrs. M. Smith and Mrs. Wilson are on the sick list. Our fourth quarterly conference will be held on the 16th inst. Presiding Elder Ferguson will preach at 2 p. m. The Sunday School and Epworth League convention of the Cleveland district, will meet in Cora Chapel, Cleveland, Feb. 20th and 21st.

Short Society Snapshots.

Syracuse, N. Y., Special.—Rev. E. H. McDonald, pastor of Bethany Baptist church, spent a few days in Detroit, Mich., last week. Miss Motty Wilk, the soprano singer of Philadelphia, Pa, was a great drawing card at the Bastable Theatre last week. H. L. Duchet, of Baltimore, Md., is sojourning in the city for the remainder of the season. Mrs. Clay Wilson, of 714 Orange street, is confined to her room with a sprained ankle. Mrs. J. H. Hardie is ill at her home 320 Pine street. Howard Logan has accepted a position in Watertown, N. Y. K. Vincent is making a tour of the West. A. Bets, of Washington, D. C., returned to this city last week after several month's sojourn in Buffalo, N. Y.

IMPORTANT. POINTS

GREAT EVENTS IN THE SUBURBAN DISTRICTS.

THE WINDY CITY BY THE LAKES

Budget of News Gathered by a Staff Representative--Society and Local Interests to the Readers of The Freeman.

Chicago, Ill., Special to The Freeman.

Rev. John W. Robinson has made a great record since he has been in charge of St. Marks church, 47th and State-sts. Three years ago when coming to St. Mark's M. E. church the members were holding services in a basement and had little or no money in the treasury. Today they are worshiping in a church that cost, $8000 and only owe $1000. The South End Sunday Club, one of the best clubs in the city, which has for its president, S. D. Fowler, and Mrs. L. Montgomery secretary meets every Sunday afternoon at 4 p. m. at St. Marks church.

The Fresman is just like a letter from home." It matters not what state or city you hail from you will find something to read about the folks at home, in The Freeman. "A letter from home." Oh, how sweet those words sound! What fond recollections of your dear mother comes to your memory. Father, brother, sister and other relatives and friends whom you have left behind rise up before you like a dream. Why not subscribe and read The Freeman and hear from the folks at home occassionally? The Freeman is the best family journal published subscribe now.

NORTH SIDE NOTES.

Mrs. R. P. Gray, of 130-30th street visited her uncle, Mr. Johnson McGhee of 961 Halstead street last week. Mrs. Gray was accompanied by Mrs. Beulah Bailey. It is needless to say that Mr. McGhee entertained his company royally as all the North side knows that whenever Mr. McGhee is around there is something doing. There is only one thing that scares Mr. McGhee and that is an ice cream parlor.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Haywood have removed to 229 Wells street.

Mr. James Wheeler, of 72 Bellvue place is in the Alexion Hospital suffering with rheumatism.

Mrs. Emma Davis, of Milwaukee attended the funeral of Mrs Sheldon which was held at Herman church last week.

Mrs. S. E. Alexander has nice furnished rooms to rent at 260 N. Clark street.

Mr. Henry Williams, of 130 Seigel street left last week for Hot Springs Ark. Mr. Williams is a light boxer and hopes to get on several bouts while in Hot springs.

The Herman Church trustees have about completed a deal whereby they will be located in a new church which far surpasses any structure previously occupied. All the members of the church who are on the inside are highly pleased with the selection and are wearing broad smiles. One of the Herman officers remarked when approached on the subject that "when the A. M. E. people bought our church it woke us up and I must admit it was the best thing that ever happened for the Hermonites.

HYDE PARK NOTES.

The Hyde Park Literary has postponed their meeting until the revival meetings which are being held at the mission are closed. The new church which is being erected on Ingleside avenue is progressing satisfactorily. The Hyde Park waiters have been very liberal in their donations toward the new church. Mr. and Mrs. Wolf have rendered much assistance in raising money to pay off the mortgages on the church.

Gus McCoy of 5318 Lake ave., is on the sick list. Mrs. F. D. Muney, of 5302 Dearborn street sustained a serious injury by falling some two weeks ago, but is improving. Wm. Mills, formerly of the Windermere and late with the Bailey Catering company at the Pan-American Exposition is now fourth waiter at the Chicago Beach Hotel, succeeding Mr. E. Kennedy who resigned. W. L. Edwards is again at (home) the Hyde Park hotel. F. C. Long, of the Windermere hotel has returned after two week's vacation. The Freeman is on sale at the Hyde Park and Windermere hotels. Don't fail to buy a copy and read the Hyde Park news which will appear each week in the Freeman.

Mrs. C. R. Johnson has returned from a long and pleasant visit to Niles Mich.,

(CONTINUED ON FOURTH PAGE)

TOM THE TATTLER.
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

THOUGHT TABLET.

Absence of occupation is not rest.
A mind quite vacant is a mind distressed —Cowper.

From the present time on we will begin our letter each week with what we call a "thought tablet" You will find these, "tablets" very pleasant to take. Our "thought tablet" for this week is taken from the writings of Wm. Cowper one of our best English poets. These "tablets" will produce a much better result if taken before meals; for after meals the mind generally becomes sluggish and fails to see the entire beauty in an expression and also fails to grasp the point intended to be inculcated. As a rule "tablets" are to be taken with water but our "thought tablets" need only to be mixed with a few grains of common sense to produce the desired effect. Keep an eye single to our weekly "thought tablets," which will always begin our letter.

Marriages in Jubilee companies are becoming quite the fad. Last season it was in Slayton's company, this season in the "Dixie" company. Where will the next one be? It is up to the Canadian or the Fiske company.

The Tattler wishes Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Buckner, success in their matrimonial venture.

Just why a man or woman, and I know hundreds that do it, will pick out some short coming in somebody else and make it the subject for a good roasting, and overlook the same shortcoming in themselves is one of the things in this life that needs an explanation.

Prof. Triggs of this city has not given out one of his foolish startling statements for a long while. It may be that the professor in the pursuit of his studies has managed to stumble upon a little common sense.

P. R. M.—Actions they say, speak louder than words. That being the case, some recent actions seem to intimate that it is for you to go a long way back and sit down.

While there seems a disposition to rename some of our streets, why not change Dearborn street to Ragtime avenue.

A POSER.

Dear Tattler; Pardon me for infringing on your time and space, but can you inform me how long a man must be married before he quits kissing his wife? I would dislike very much to violate precedents, so if you can give the desired information you will confer a favor and a great one too, on a

Newly Mrrried Man.

Mr. Newly Married Man.

Dear Sir:—In reply to yours of recent date, will say that your question is a stunning one, but rather than allow you "to put us in the clock," (pardon slang) we will say something. To begin with wife—kissing as a rule is something of a lost art amongst us. The moment the law converts a sweetheart into a wife, kisses begin to decrease rapidly. With most men, kissing in the marital relation is a very, un-Dombey-like proceeding which should be discountenanced. I know men who regard it as a great lessening of their dignity to kiss their wives, but who when those wives were sweethearts could sip the nectar from their lips all night long. With them it was:

"Give me a kiss, and to that add a score;
Then to that twenty, and a hundred more;
A thousand to that hundred; so kiss on,
To make that thousand up a million;
Treble that million and when that's done,
Let's kiss afresh as when we first begun.

The foregoing bit of verse was given to a man who is unmarried, but who says if he were he would never grow tired of kissing his wife.

Some men, however do not find time to kiss their wives. But, of course they are not so lavish with them as they were when their wives were sweethearts, nor is there so much of the succulent nature in these kisses. It seems to be a sort of cold formality. To be exact, these are not really kisses. An exchange of puckers would more adequately express these attempts at osculation He simply puckers up his mouth, she does likewise and with a hurried movement the puckers come into contact and the thing is done. In many cases the man has a look to come over his face as if he had done a guilty thing.

Some men keep these efforts up six months; others, a year and so on. A very, very few manage to struggle all through their matrimony with them.

Mr Newly Married Man, you can kiss your wife just as long as you have a mind to. There are no precedents. In closing let me give you a definition of a kiss which a dear friend of mine gave me. "A kiss is an insipid and tasteless morsel, delicious and delecta table in proportion as it is seasoned with love." As long as the osculatory movements are of that nature you should never tire of bestowing them on your wife.

In a recent issue of one of the important dailies, I read concerning a man who had figured out how large Heaven was and just how many people it will hold. If the manner in which the world is at present living is any criterion to go by, we need not worry about Heaven's accommodation; it will be large enough and there will be plenty of room. Hell is the place were the overcrowding is likely to occur.

IMPROVE YOURSELVES.

Make an effort to learn something every day. Although you may fail to do so the effort made gives a whole some activity to the brain. You know how a pool of water becomes when it grows stagnant, inimical to health, a cesspool of disease; thus becomes the mind when it is overrun by the brambles of ignorance and idleness. An idle ignorant brain diseases your whole personality. Beware of a stagnant brain. There are persons whose brains are of such little use to them that they might be removed without any loss to themselves. They could go through their functions of life, such as eating, sleeping, their daily work, etc. without any brains just as well as they can with them.

Never permit a day of your life to come to a close without reviewing it to see what was done that would have been better left undone, or to see what was not done that should have been done. Note the mind and see if it has added anything to its stock of knowledge. Carefully observe whether you have gone through that day of your life mindless, that is like an automaton or a machine which has no mind, or whether in every circumstance of that day you have behaved like a mind-using creature should. Say to yourself, "Have I had myself under my control all day long, or have I given away to any passions?" When your passions have control of you, you are like a horse running away, and there is no telling when harm may come to you, or you may do harm. Every time we become angry a part of our good nature is consumed to keep the flame a going. Every time self gives away to anger it will be more prone to do it next time.

Pay some attention to the many questions of moment that agitate the world. Remember that what is called the world is made up of an infinite number of human parts, and that no man is so insignificant but he is one of those parts. Every state should have a compulsory newspaper law which would compel every one of thoughtful age to read a newspaper. I know men who never read, not only a book or magazine, but even a newspaper; who know no more concerning the state of the market or what goes on in Washington than my little dog; who know nothing concerning the world, save that narrow channel in which they float; and when failure claims them for its own, lament what a hard, unjust world this is. In Chicago there are hundreds and hundreds of homes into which a newspaper never finds its way unless it gets there by chance, certainly something wrapped in it.

When you are made to feel the force of your ignorance, don't plead the excuse "I have had no opportunity to be otherwise," when almost every moment has been an opportunity for you to help lift the cloud of ignorance from your mind if you had only made use of it Don't lay on opportunity the blame your own lazy disposition should bear. In these days of free night schools, in these days of good and cheap correspondence schools all over the country, in these days of cheap books and still cheaper papers and magazines, no man need be ignorant unless by his own damnable laziness he elects to be so. Some men do more than this, they seem to love ignorance, if it be possible to love inanimate things. There are men, and in the theatrical profession they are very numerous, who, whenever a conversation or an instructive talk is carried on in their presence fearing that their minds might take in a gleam of intelligence and thereby lose some of its ignorance, always manage to break up such conversation or talk, or else turn it into a foolishness of some sort.

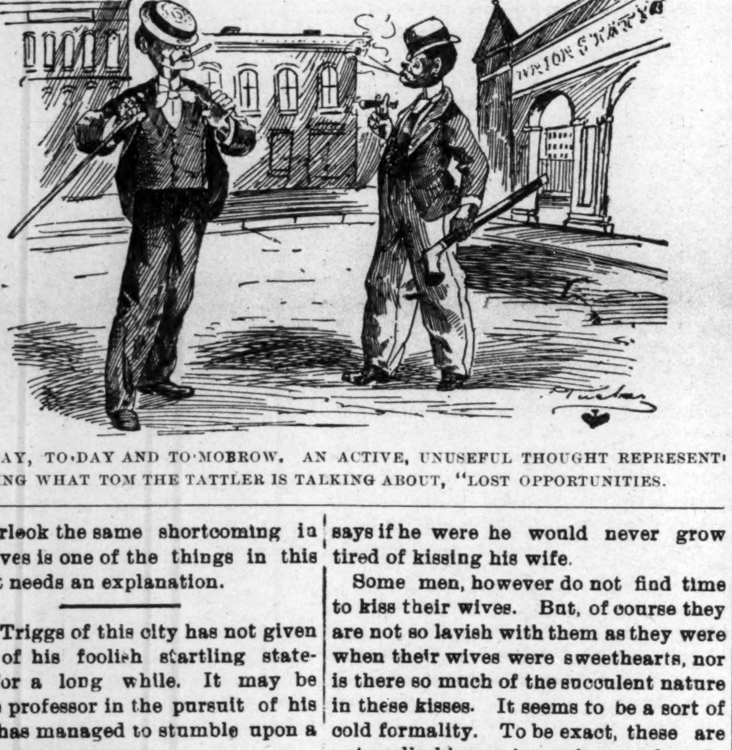
If I could gather up the scraps of time that are idled away in the lives of some of my associates, in playing cards, in defiling themselves in bar-rooms, in frivolous conversation wherein they attack some one's character, in arguments concerning this one's ability or that one—I say if I could gather up these scraps of God's precious time and use them to the betterment of the colored theatrical profession, an ignorant head in it would be an unheard-of thing. If a man travels three seasons with a show and plays five games of cards every day save Sunday, which most of them do, and those who do not play cards fritter their time away at something else, he has actually wasted more time than it requirs to learn enough Latin to read Virgil. Then when the revellers in laziness and idleness tell you their ignorance is due to lack of opportunity, is it not the lie direct?

Don't think the reading of trashy is improving yourself. To even read nothing but good novels is not conducive to material improvement. Reading novels and nothing else, even though they be of the best, is like feeding on cake and ice cream continually to the exclusion of solider food. I know persons, and especially women, who pride themselves on the number of novels they have read, and who cannot tell you of that which they have read five minutes the book is closed. Reading with them is like pouring water on a duck's back, it is hard to see the effect of it.

Deeply interest yourself in the English language and its grammar, and strive hard to master it. That language is one of beauty and power and has no equal. A rich inheritance indeed has he whose mother tongue is English. Every language on the face of the earth has lent to the consummation of it. No thought or shade of thought is so subtile but the English language can give it expression. Until I began its study, little did I think that the position of one word—just a single word—could make a sentence either a powerful expression or a very weak one —weak, I may say, to the point of silliness. You are born with a style of writing different from any one else's, just as your being is different, and you must seek to cultivate it and bring it to the highest efficiency. Study the synonyms of English and note the very faintest differences in meaning. Observe how our masters of English use them. There is no power that gives such secret satisfaction to a man as to be able to express himself forcibly. Verily the pen is mightier than the sword.

TOM THE TATTLER.

A CASTIN SENTIMENT.



Y STERDAY, TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW. AN ACTIVE, UNUSEFUL THOUGHT REPRESENTING WHAT TOM THE TATTLER IS TALKING ABOUT, "LOST OPPORTUNITIES.

REMEMBER, OH! YE UNLUCKY ONES!!

Fortune Knocks Once at Every Person's Door.

LUCK, HAPPINESS, GOOD HEALTH TO ALL.

The Magic Handkerchief or the Magic Garter, with the Egyptian Secret, enables you to gain any one's love, to overcome all obstacles in life, possess riches, be successful in speculations or any business undertaking. Brings good health They have no equal, and, dear friend I advise you to obtain either the Magic Handkerchief or the Magic Garter at once, and be happy. I guarantee satisfaction. Send securely sealed on receipt of $1 each, and with it I will answer your questions free of charge Don't fai to send to-day, for one or both of these. I also have the

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Interesting Topics.

Alton Ill., Special.—Channcy E Young is ill with the varioloid. The Citizen's Club is composed of both women and men. A grand banquet was given by the ladies Saturday evening January 28 and notwithstanding the inclement weather they took in over $28.00 and cleared over $35. On February 8, the gentlemen of the club will give another banquet at the K. of P. hall. Everyone is invited to come and help in a good cause Admission, 15c singly, 25c per couple Refreshments will be served. The Walker Orchestra will furnish the music. Mrs. Agnes Baker is quite ill. The revival meetings which have been in progress at the Second Baptist church in W. Alton for the past two weeks closed Tuesday evening on account of the inclement weather. Rev. J. W, Otey, the pastor had charge of the meetings, A handkerchief social will be held at the Second Baptist church.

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It now looks as if the St. Louis Exposition will not be held until 1904, another disappointment for the waiters.

J. B. Goins, headwaiter at the Louisville hotel, contributed a very interesting article to the Hotel World recently on the American and European plan hotels.

Jeff Williams, of Brunswick, Ga., has accepted the position of headwaiter at the Aragon hotel, Jacksonville, Fla., succeeding C A. Smith, now headwaiter at the Palmetta, Aikens, S. C.

H. Pettigrew, headwaiter at the Monongahalia hotel, Pittsburg, Pa., recently contributed a very good article to the Independent of that city, which had for its title "The Road to Success."

W. G. Watson is headwaiter at the Southern Club, Hot Springs, Ark. Chas Moore and J. D. Lane, two well-known waiters are also employed at the Southern Club.

We acknowledge the receipt of a handsome souvenir bill-of-fare from Mr. W. E Tucker, headwaiter at the Albion hotel, Augusta, Ga. The bill is artistically gotten up and commemorates the birthday (Jan. 29) of the late president. On the front of the bill is a very fine engraving of our late President, Wm. McKinley. Thanks, Bro. Tucker.

Delaney Bradford, chef of the Union Stock Yards Hotel, Indianapolis, Ind., is very popular among the patrons of that house. He is a regular reader of The Freeman and an all round good fellow.

A contributor in this issue of The Freeman raps the gambling and drinking evil among waiters. If the contributor lived in Chicago no doubt he would have had something to say about the policy shop fiends We fail to see how a waiter can receive and serve an order properly while he is puzzling his brains with the problem of how to catch a "gig and saddle."

Gentlemen of the H. and S. W. N. B A., again I find it necessary to urge upon you the importance of paying up your annual dues. Those of you who have not paid your dues for this year are certainly well aware of the fact, and there is no excuse for it. Therefore it is my duty to say to such members that unless the same is paid to the secretary of this association on or before March 15, 1902, you will be indefinitely suspended for non payment of dues. If you want your officers to transact your business you must show that you appreciate their services by giving them your support. By order of the president.

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Harvey Witherspoon, formerly of "Tallulah Lodge hotel, Tallulah Falls, Ga, has charge of the new Racine hotel, Columbus, Ga., with his crew of men from Atlanta, Ga, consisting of Joe Lindsay, captain, John Hampton, Tansy Anderson, Mack Herring, Earnest Myers, Wallace Jackson and L. T. McCall The kitchen crew is as follows: G. W. Latham, chief; Mrs. Martha Latham, pantry; Will Griggs, second; Leonard Robinson, Laurel Harris, Wm. E. Hooten, baker and Will Robinson, assistant. Jerry L. Orr is making quite a success for the Racine. Mr. Orr was formerly porter at the Armstrong hotel, Rome, Ga., Rankin house, Columbus, and the Metropolitan, Birmingham, Ala.

J. W. Floyd, of Mobile, Ala, writes: The reason why so many Negro waiters are refused admission to some of the best homes is on account of the way some of them carry themselves. It seems to be the highest ambition of some of them to play cards, get drunk and keep all kinds of company. Some of the waiters never have time to go to church or read a paper. A good many of them do not know who is governor of the State in which they live. As Booker T. Washington said, in one of his lectures, "Whatever one's occupation is they should at least rise to the level of the position." Whenever the colored waiters learn to make use of his idle time and to save his tips, salary and spend them for useful articles and not spend them in saloons and gambling dens, and have self-respect, then the waiter will be admitted to the best society as the doctors, lawyers and other professionals are. The famous swells were out to the Union Star Hall, last Tuesday evening, with new costumes, and the boys certainly look swell. Willie Chanie, the popular waiter at the Battle House, and Willie Wylie were very conspicuous, and were called the "Two Willies" I advise every colored waiter to subscribe for The Freeman.

There will be held in Chicago, commencing August 14 to Sept. —, the Middle States and Mississippi Valley Exposition for the benefit of the endowment fund for the home of aged and infirm colored people. The above exposition will be national in character, and all lovers of the race are cordially invited to send in exhibits for same. The following well-known Chicagoans are at the head of the exposition: James W. Camp, president; J. H. Hudlum, treasurer; Mrs. J.C. Snowden, secretary; Mrs. Gabrilla Smith, superintendent; W. H. A. Moore, press agent. The Ways and Means Committee is as follows: J. H. Porter, Cyrus Field Adams, Mrs. M. V. Deatherage, Mrs. G. Smith, Mrs. J. C. Snowden, J. P. Stewart and Wm R Smith. Mr. Lucius W. Washington, a well-known waiter of Chicago and ex-president of the Waiter's Royal Benefit Progressive League, has been appointed commissioner of the waiters department, which will form a very important adjunct to the exposition. Mr. Washington has appointed W. Forrest Cozart a member of the board and press agent for the waiters department. Mr. Washington hopes to get the waiters throughout the country interested, and invites them to send anything made or invented by them to the exposition to be placed on exhibition in the waiters department. Any needle work or any other fancy work, done by the wives of waiters, will be gladly accepted and placed on exhibition. For further particulars address L. W. Washington, 3118 Dearborn street, Chicago, Ill.

Some time ago the editor of this department exposed several white hotel employes who had conspired and robbed the different Chicago hotels to the tune of over $2,000 worth of silver and cut glassware. In the course of our remarks we stated that the white employes had proven a costly experiment for the Grand Pacific hotel, where one of the white waiters was given a $500 bill to get changed, and the waiter nor the five hundred dollars has never returned. We also stated that things were much different in the good old days when Drake and Parker conducted the Grand Pacific and employed colored waiters. In concluding we stated that colored waiters only stole food when not properly fed. Later one or two articles appeared in The Freeman quoting the above sentence And now the Hotel World rises to remark:

There is a great deal of nonsense in the talk that the mere taking of some thing to eat in a house where food is provided is not a very serious matter. Black is black and stealing is stealing, whether the thing stolen be a pumpkin pie or a diamond ring, and one can with every bit as much reason contend that he has as much right to steal a dollar a day from his employer, to increase his salary to what he thinks it ought to be, as he has to steal costly edibles when his employer has only agreed and can only afford something less expensive

It is understood, as already stated, that evils of this nature are hard to grapple with, but effort toward improvement is the order of the day and the year 1903 would find a very different story to be told if every proprietor, manager and steward would take a firmer stand against the intemperance and dishonesty afflicting the hotel interests generally.

In justice to the employe it must be admitted that many of them are improperly fed and under-fed, but that does not justify them in doing wrong, and the man who can juggle with his conscience until he sees no wrong in stealing a pie from his employer will surely reach the stage where he can see no wrong in stealing a dollar, although the fear of prison may deter him from doing so, and those who are not being fairly treated where they are might better change their places a dozen times than debase their natures by acquiring the habit of petty stealing.

As a theory the above criticism is proper and has the right ring to it. We will also admit that "stealing is stealing, whether the thing stolen be a pumpkin pie or a diamond ring." But the above rule cannot be applied to the waiter who is under-fed by his employer and at the same time the said waiter sees the dish scrapers throwing a whole chop, half of a beef steak, part of an order of buckwheat cakes, a cup of coffee or a piece of pumpkin pie into the swill barrel for the hogs, and the hogs usually belong to a disinterested party. The rule of nearly every hotel is the waiters must not eat any of the above, though it is going to be thrown away. If a waiter is under fed and is really hungry and should eat any of the above articles under the circumstances we believe that he is justified in so doing.

It is a stereotyped rule of both the American and European plan hotels for the waiters not to eat any of the come-backs from the dining room, and should he attempt to do so, a fine is imposed upon him for stealing or he is dismissed. Now, if the waiter is employed in an European hotel where the full value of each article ordered is charged for and the guest pays for it, but is unable to eat the same, and the waiter being hungry eats some of the food left, is he really stealing, and if so, who is he stealing from, and has the proprietor any right to impose a fine upon the waiter for eating said food?

We as waiters must awake to the sense of our duty. The poor colored waiter is accused of so many things that are true and untrue of him. First, we must consider that we are men and qualified to give any kind of service that any other waiters give regardless to their color or whence they come. The greatest trouble among some of the colored waiters is the most of them do not study their profession as they ought to; while we are good waiters, we can be better; there is always room for improvement, and to make this improvement drinking and gambling must be stopped and our money must be invested in something more profitable.

Another thing—some of us think we know too much about waiting when we do not know how to pass a man a piece of bread or give him a glass of water. I want to say this much—never think because you have worked in two or three hotels you know it all, for there is always something to learn. The first thing a waiter should do after he gets a position in a hotel is to learn the rules and regulations, and if they are too hard for him he should not accept of the position. Again, I call your attention to the gambling and drinking evil among waiters. I think this habit should be dispensed with. As soon as all of the degrading class of waiters are relegated to the rear, and the progressive waiters installed in their places the colored waiters will not lose so many hotels. All headwaiters should respect their waiters as men, and all waiters should respect the headwaiter as their superior officer. G. W. CLARKE.

A lady guest at the Palmer House, Chicago, claimed that she lost her pocketbook in the dining room while one of the captains and his watch were in charge. The loss was reported at the office and the headwaiter, who is a white man, was informed of same. Being unable to find the pocket-book the headwaiter dismissed the captain and his whole crew, although there was no positive proof that the purse was lost in the dining room. The seemingly hasty action of the headwaiter is easily accounted for as the headwaiter is white, and he would take one white person's word before he would a hundred colored people It is also stated that this same headwaiter has done other things to damage the standing of the colored waiters The Palmer is conducted on the European plan, and if by any hook or crook it can be made to appear that colored waiters cannot hold the house, a white crew would replace them, and still Mr. White man would hold his position, this is a lead-pipe cinch, and still there are some colored waiters who boast with pride that they prefer working under a white headwaiter. When a white headwaiter is over a colored crew, he has no particular reason to try to hold the colored boys in the hotel, because he can let the colored waiter out at one meal and put a white crew in the next, and his job will be safe. But when the colored side waiters go, the colored headwaiter must also go. When one realizes that the side waiter of to-day is the headwaiter of to morrow, it will be understood why we should stand together.

If any of the readers of this column should see one Charles Ingram, who was employed as waiter at the Hyde Park hotel, Chicago, unt l recently, please whisper softly in his ear and say that the waiters in Chicago "Have a longing in their hearts for you, Charlie." The longing is not from love, but for the money which eighteen waiters paid him with the understanding that he (Ingram) was going to take charge of the dining room at the Nelson hotel, Rockford, Ill., and would take the eighteen waiters, who paid him $2.50 each, Mr. Irgram collected the money and had the men to get ready. Several of them quit good jobs to go, but the artful Charlie ducked, and his whereabouts is unknown. The above trick reminds us of one Ed. Gates played on several waiters at the Nelson some years ago Gates was a side waiter, and under the pretense that he was going second waiter at French Lick, hired half of the crew from the Nelson and had them go to Chicago, but Gates did not show up.

Bon Air Hotel Notes

The dining room of the Hotel Bon Air of Augusta, Ga., is in charge of E. N. Jennings this season owing to the death of George Gressem, who died there last spring. Mr. Jennings is a headwaiter of wide experience, having had charge of a good many houses, both North and South. He has an excellent crew of waiters with him that are giving perfect satisfaction to all. Mr. Jennings was, last winter, at Magnolia Springs, Fla., and last summer at Arverne-on-the Sea, L. I George A. Truman is his second. Mr. Truman is a man of no little experience, and is well liked by all. A better selection could not have been made. The hotel is rapidly filling up, and the boys are all looking forward to a good season Eugene W. Lewis, who was secretary for Headwaiter Geo. Gressem until his death, and filled the same position with John L. Smith at Lakewood, N. Y., last summer, is filling the same position with Mr. Jennings. The two captains are Edgar McCray, who was second waiter at Lakewood for Mr. Smith, and Thos. McCombs Each have a strong support. The boys here anxiously await the arrival of The Freeman every Saturday; could not do without it. A. W. Wray has returned as head bellman for the sixth time, and has his usual crew of up-to date bellmen, with Frank Harris and William Murry as captains. The hotel has an annex of fifty rooms this season, which is a much needed addition. The crew sends regards to all in the business and join me in saying all waiters should read The Freeman E W. LEWIS.

Oil City Notes.

Beaumont Tex., Feb, 4.,—Chas. H. D. Fleming, head-waiter at the French restaurant and a member of the Hotel Men's Benevolent Association of Houston received an invitation to attend their third anniversary and banquet to be given on the 20th of this month at the Odd Fellow's Hall. The hotel waiters of Beaumont are trying to organize a club and if successful will join the H. M B A. The Oak Hotel of this city has installed a white headwaiter. That speaks bad for Texas. This is the only hotel in the State that has a white head waiter over a colored crew. Beaumont has colored men who are capable to fill the position as headwaiter at the Oakes or any other first-class hotel. Aaron Miles of the French restaurant is indisposed. John Johnson late of Houston is with the boys at the French. Nat Wincham of New Iberia, La., is with the boys at the Oakes. J. C. Brooks, headwaiter at the Crosby House, the leading hotel of the city, has proved to be an able hotel man.

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HOW IT STRIKES US.

Civilization must necessarialy follow the path of the pioneer. In the capitol at Washington, D. C., one of the famous wall pictures stands out prominent; it represents a wagon train going West, and the artist, without seeking to represent aught but a true delineation, puts in the foreground a son of Sunny Africa leading a pack-mule while his white fellow emigrants stalk along with rifle and axe. In the South to day we find the same condition; the Negro, a peaceful agriculturist, doing his full share in upbuilding the material interests of his environment, and in so doing he is prosperous But when we cross the gulf stream and land upon the shores of Jamaica, where for sixty-eight years the Negro has been free, we find utter indifference; as in the old familiar hymn—"Every prospect pleases and only man is vile."

This leads us to the situation prevailing and likely to prevail in Cuba. All through the Southland the Negro is being educated and prepared for a higher civilization. Canary Islanders and Gallegas—Spanish refuse and Spanish oppressed are imported to become the favored people of the new government. It is high time that the colored men of the United States, representing the enlightened brain of the race, should stand up for the colored men of the South and put forth every effort, collectively and individually, to prevent legislation tending to the destruction of an industry that is carried on by the brawn and muscle of Negro labor alone. Let us all unite and say plainly and emphatically: "What power is vested in us by the right of suffrage shall be wielded for the benefit of home industries and home manufacture and not wasted upon islands beyond the sea."

The blood of the very flower of our youth has been sacrified on the field of San Juan in interest of Cuban liberty. When we set them free we did all they could possibly ask for. It would be an imposition on the philanthropic people to allow Cuba a staple free entrance into this country which practicaliy means the destruction of its cultivation in the United States.

WILL THEY REDUCE?

We have not anticipated favorable action by the House of Representatives at Washington on the Crumpacker resolution which aims at the reduction of the Federal representatives of certain States, principally Southern ones, whose voting populations are not in proportion to those of other States as it concerns representation in Congress The Journal of this city cannot see why any one should be opposed to the resolution. Well, it is not a difficult proposition by any means The constitution, or better, its framers, did not have in mind a class of citizens who were to be persecuted under the guise of disfranchisement It is true that the emergency was provided for, but was never contemplated. It is safe to say that the makers of the constitution could not think of any reason or suggest any probable cause for States availing themselves of a privilege that was meant to be prohibited.

It will be a difficult matter to seek behind the letter for the causes of disfranchisement, and yet the new constitutionists advertised their intentions above board: to disfranchise as many Negroes as possible and save as many whites as possible. Right here the spirit of the constitution is violated and instrument not designed for sharp practice, but whose letter and spirit was meant to flow concurrently. The foregoing statements are not revelations, but men in and out of Congress know all about these matters. The fact of the whole business is that the spirit of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments is violated, which in effect is as disastrous as the violation of the letter. The color and previous condition of servitude clause is being repudiated by the States in their late ingeniously worded constitution, and while the cold dumb instruments may not bespeak their origin yet the cause resideth somewhere. Force these to speak or perjure their souls, so Congress may have tangible evidence through which the work may be undone or at least be impeded, and down with that scare crow, Federal reductisn which gets nothing, not even decent consideration.

Congress will not go into the business to the extent outlined, but it is the constitution nevertheless. To know ones rights may not be to enjoy them, but the element of deception is eliminated and the burden placed where it rightfully belongs. Better go to defeat knowing your cause than to unconscious victory.

WHO WILL BE SAVED?

O, Mr. "Freeman," over there in the Hoosier State, this is to inform you that there are 1,800,000 colored Baptists in the States, and as yours is not a denominational church paper, as between Methodist and Baptist theology and polity, you must 'tote squar."—Dr. John H. Frank.

Dear Brother Frank, your periodical admonitions are duly heeded. As a paper for the people we will endeavor to conserve their interest. Our object is to know no sects, creeds or chisms from a religious standpoint, since God has not given us all to see alike, and right happily it is thus. As we said before we cannot ignore that great institution, the Baptist church, which claims the greater number of the race for its communicants as compared with other denominations.

As to theology and polity we believe that it will be to the best interest of christendom to merge the more opposing views of the opposing churches in order that the ends of christianity be best subserved. Skepticism has too free a play, too much encouragement while the great christian forces stand armed cap-a-pie, as it were, awaiting the hour of demolition. Let the churches hide their gnashed teeth and come to a common conclusion as to the religious legacy of the Christ.

"All roads lead to Rome" is the doctrine of pacification by the religious diplomat, the ointment oil to be poured on those who question the versatile christianity, while on the other hand the strong contention is that we are the Lord's annointed, only "we." What about the others? And no one seems disturbed about the matter? Why is it, Dr. Frank, that men cannot interpret "The Word" alike and build a common religion? Do you think we are alone in asking the question? Who is right? Who is wrong? Are all right? Are all wrong? Where are we at? Do we exist? Or merely seem to exist as some philosophers maintain?

Have these things ever disturbed you or are you one of those that know whereof they speak, and having abundant reason for the faith within? So may it be. But let us hear about the other side. We await a reply to our many inquires

THEY WANT A COLORED TEACHER

Striving to have a colored teacher appointed is the way a head line in one of our exchanges reads. Pretty Miss Louise Van Horn, of Rhode Island, daughter of the American Consul at St. Thomas, West Indies, wants to teach in the Newport, Rhode Island, schools She is supported in her application by about two hundred members of her race. The school board has up until this time held out against the colored people, but in the meanwhile it has gathered statistics on colored teachers in mixed schools. It has learned that:

"The number of colored teachers in the schools of Boston is very small, not above two or three, nor has it been larger at any time within the period of my recollection. I have never heard any complaint. So far as I know, their service is just as acceptable as that of other teachers I remember one colored teacher who was a failure, but her difficulties arose not from her race, but from an innate incapacity to be a teacher. On the other hand, I recollect two or three colored teachers who have been entirely successful, and who have me with no more, or other, difficulties than white teachers under the same circumstances would have met

Yours very truly,
EDWIN P. SEAVER."

Mr J. H. Walsh, superintendent of schools, Brooklyn, N Y, says: "There are about half a dozen colored female teachers in Brooklyn, the majority of whom are competent and efficient They are employed in schools in which there a considerable number of colored pupils and those who are competent give good satisfaction No complaint on the part of the parents of white children who are being instructed by colored teachers has come to my ears."

From New Haven, Mr T H Beede says: "In reply to your inquiry of Nov. 23 I will say that at present we have no colored teachers in our corps Last year one of our lady teachers was a colored lady She taught in one of our mixed schools and was an entirely efficient and competent teacher At the close of the year she resigned to accept a better position in Indianapolis."

Miss Van Horn may win her case, but it now appears that she must seek a field afar. It is safe to say that the Eastern market is a little bearish for colored school marms Out in the expansive West things are better. The immortal injunction of Horace Greeley will not be forgotten: "Go West, young man, and grow up with the country."

Prof. W. H. Councill delivered the commencement address at the United States Indian Industrial School at Carlisle, Pa., Feb. 4.

A GREAT CALENDAR.

The organization of National Baptists has issued a unique calendar for 1902 Pictorially it will be considered great in that it has the reduced, but excellent likeness of many of the great personages of the church living and dead. Men and women are included in this excellent array, of which there are between sixty and seventy. The missionary side of the church is strongly represented. The work is filled with choice extracts from the great writers, also from the prominent members of the church. It is the most elaborate thing of the kind ever gotten out by colored people or, perhaps, by any one. It represents ability, tact and great expenditure of money. But it will prove worthy the effort in every direction. To whom the most praise is due is not known, for the remarkable calendar, but we very much suspect the Dr. L G. Jordan hand has played heavily. He and co-laborers are to be congratulated on this very distinct addition to the evidences of Negro ability and ingenuity.

President Elliot of Harvard University plans to make an extended journey to California and the far West early in February and will be journeying home through the South toward the first of April. He will speak at many important educational gatherings and institutions, and has decided to include the Tuskegee Institute, of which Booker T Washington is principal, in his itinerary. His present plans will bring him to Tuskegee April 1st, and he will remain over until some time during the day of April 2d, taking full time to inspect the departments of the institution. His visit promises to be made a signal occasion by the authorities of Tuskegee Institute.

The Times-Speaker, a publication of Denver, Col., after stating that the Negro press of America included 365 publications, gives the names of those in its opinion that are the best known and the most successful. For Indianapolis it gives The Freeman, the World and the News. We beg leave to inform the statistician of the Times-Speaker that the News is not conducted by colored men. We are sorry to lose such excellent company, but "de truf am de light."

Prof. R R. Wright has applied for the position of Collector of Customs at Savannah, Ga. We thought he was out of politics.—The Atlanta Age.

Politicians are somewhat like those of the Baptist persuasion. They say: "Once in and never out." O, sublimely facinating, politics, once in thy meshes who can escape thee? Who cares to escape thee? Chorus: nobody, nobody.

The Crumpacker resolution has met the caucus and it is its. There can scarcely be any hope for the resolutions. The country is not in the best frame of mind on the race question, and its the politicians that know it. We are not heartily in sympathy with the resolution for a totally different reason. To adopt it, legalizes disfranchisements in a sense far different from the meaning of the constitution.

The annual Tuskegee Conference will be held at that institution Wednesday and Thursday, Feb 19-20. These meetings have become famous and justly so. They are the inspiration of the Negro farmer and workman of that region and regions more remote. Prof. Washington is doing all he can to make these meetings more interesting and greater every year.

The Freeman made an error last week when it said that the President had reappointed Major P D Barker, a colored man, postmaster at Mobile, Ala Major Barker is a white gentleman and as estimable as any that ever trod shoe leather. He is respected by all, and it was owing to the generous comment noted in colored papers that the mistake was made.

Rev. E. W. Lampton, who has been elected to succeed the late Dr. P. A. Hubbard as financial secretary of the A. M. E. church, is in every way qualified to fill the high position. That church can congratulate herself on having such an excellent "relay" of men who can take up the work at any point and carry it forward to success.

The Christian Recorder favors the appointment of Mr. T. Thomas Fortune as minister to Hayti to succeed Mr. W. F Powell, the present incumbent. We do not know that such a place would be to Mr. Fortune's liking, but we should, nevertheless, be glad to see him recognized in some way.

Chairman J. P. Goodrich of the Republican State Committee has issued the call for the Republican State Convention, April 23-24 at which time candidates will be nominated for State offices.

Spoiling the Whole Thing.—Mickey—"Hully Gee! If dat ain't a shame! Sixteen men and four ole ladies hez slipped down on dat spot in de last twenty minutes, and now dat lobster is puttin' ashes on it!"—Puck.

POLITICAL JOTTINGS.

It is said:

That Akin will pull up first under the tape.

That Blair has the best of it for J. P.

That Oran Muir will have no trouble whatever.

That Larz A Whitcomb is a necessity.

That Chas. W. Brown has an excellent show.

That Henry W. Tutewiler is leaving no grass grow under his feet.

That it is nip and tuck between Wm. E Davis and Clint Hare.

That the colored people are making up their minds as to their candidates.

That political hucksters are now crying: "Here's a nice line of canidates for sale."

That E. J. Robinson for County Treasurer is in the lead by a nose or so.

That John C. Ruckelhaus is as shy as ever, but that he has a mortgage on the Prosecutorship.

That some of the candidates have gone way back and sat down—didn't just know why they came out

That in primaries personal popularity counts some, but going out and getting the votes counts more.

That the gum shoe man is in evidence and that he has iron clamp on his pocket-book. He hopes to sneak.

That Ed Seguin is entitled to consideration for Auditor. He is orthodox in his republicanism—never held office.

That the fight for Auditor is as yet anybody's fight. Fred Shephard, Cy Clark, Ed Seguin and John Porter are the aspirants. Pick your winner—you know their pedigrees.

That Chas. W. Brown will be supported by the colored voters, and that he is entitled to their support. His many white friends who are acquainted with his work for the Republican party will give him hearty support.

That Ed V Fitzpatrick is a winner as the candidate for Reporter of the Supreme Court.

That the Recorder's cartoon of last week was delightfully funny.

That Bookwalter and Elliott are the same political strategist as ever. The Furniss move was a very studious play.

That it is resolved that the primary is a glorious thing.

That Harry New was expected to make a race for something. What's the matter with New.

That the judicial candidates, Leathers, Allen, McMaster, Carter, Clifford, Pritchard and Bosson are all making goo goo eyes at one another. Judicial restraints forbidding a down right hustle—they are willing all right enough—but what would the other fellow say? And then there's the dear public. This be a primary; just stir around a little; it will do you good.

That Pirtle Herod desires to succeed Congressman Overstreet.

That James Green, C. M. Walters and A. B. Wiltsie represent the field as candidates for shrievalty as against Bob Metzger.

That the colored voter will have no reason to pass brother Lew Akin "up." He's doing his whole duty.

That the 6,000 colored voters of Marion county will endeavor to know where they are at in the coming primary.

That John Spahr is making a rustle for the prosecutorship.

That James Shelton will be close to the "throne" later on in the campaign.

That there is a better understanding between the colored voters than ever before.

That a man who waits for political lightening to strike him will wait quite a spell.

That Bob Metzger is everybody's favorite.

That Dr. Brayton is resting on his oars.

Among the aspirants for Joint Senator of Marion and Morgan counties is Hon Wm. P. Reagan, who served in the last Legislature as a Representative. Mr. Reagan served with ability.

Hon Larz A. Whitcomb will be remembered as one of the Trojans of the last legislature. He served in the House, where for efficiency and earnestness he made a reputation that has made his return fairly a necessity. He has shown himself friendly to the colored people as well as the whites. He stands for Joint Senator of Marion and Morgan counties.

H. Clay Allen, Judge of the Circuit Court, is a high-toned, conscientious gentleman, one who adds weight and dignity to the "bench." He stands for re-nomination. He has shown himself interested in the affairs of the colored people who have been before him in order that they got the justice for which they contended.

Hon. Joseph R. Morgan, while serving the whole people in the last legislature, did not forget to notice the colored people incidently. Several owe their appointments to him. These things also count.

Among the very popular candidates for the legislature is Oran Muir, a rising young lawyer There is not much doubt about his nomination. His relation to the last campaign permitted him to make many friends, both white and colored.

Dr. Sumner A. Furniss has been appointed as one on the Executive Board of the County Republican Committee. The selection was wise, and will give

DR. S. A. FURNISS.

satisfaction. The doctor is fitted for his new duties. He is genial as well as shrewd, the quintessence of political qualifications.

WERE JOINED IN WEDLOCK.

Musical Contest to be Given—Guests Entertained at Dinner—Notes.

Cairo, Ill., Special.

Ray Larry, of Metropolis, and Miss Sallie Hill, of Paducah, were united in marriage recently. It is not known where they will reside. Chas. Mitchell, of 528 Fourteenth street, made a brief visit to his wife. He is head cook in a hotel in Oukoen, Ill. Mrs. Messie Parker would like to hear from her brother, Henderson Parker. When last heard from he was in Indianapolis, Ind. P. H. Allenworth has opened up a restaurant at 1809 Poplar street. Miss Jennie Allen has returned to her studies after a week's illness. If you desire to be treated royally, call at Andrew Jackson's place of business, 3211 Commercial avenue, where he keeps a first class restaurant. Richard Taylor, of 409 Commercial avenue, gives a free lunch every Saturday night at his saloon. Mrs Jackson's infant is sick at her home, 216 Twenty-ninth street. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brown are the parents of a fine girl baby, at 510 Twelfth street. James Parrott and Miss Sallie Daniels were quiety married on the evening of the 10th inst. Moses Taylor, of 12 Fortieth street, would like to hear from his sister, Miss Lettie Hill. She was in Indianapolis when last heard from. Mrs. Fannie Gragan, of Twenty-first street, is suffering with a sprained knee.

The musical contest at the A. M. E. church Feb 9th, was a grand success, considering the inclement weather. Mrs Steven Hunter, of 226 Seventeeth street, entertained her friends at dinner last week. Those present were Misses Mattie Greer, Zulla Walker, Rev. Crumpton, Mrs. Corner and Louis Horton. Mrs. Maggie Picket will be pleased to have her friends call at her restaurant, Twelfth and Commercial avenue, when desiring a good meal She also conducts a boarding house at 819 Front street. Mrs. Addie Filmore will entertain her friends at her home, 627 Twenty-first street, on the 18th inst. Prof. Ed Overby's orchestra will furnish music for the occasion. When you want The Freeman call on G. W. Carr, 1503 Walnut street. Charles Smith carries a full line of groceries at Fourteenth and Walnut street. J. R. McGee, attorney, is comfortably situated in Nineteenth street, near Poplar. Give him a call.

FUTSELL CITY NOTES.

Ike George, of Princeton, Ky., was called to the death bed of his son Sam, 2300 Poplar street. Miss Mamie Carr arrived home on the 11th, from Chicago, where she has been visiting her mother. The members of the First Freewill Baptist church invites everybody to the Bible scenery Feb. 21st. Rev. King pastor. Rev. R. B. Anderson is trying to raise funds to erect a new church, to be known as the A. M. E. church. The Freewill Baptist church, under the pastorate of Rev. E. P. Ford, is preparing to erect a house of worship. Paul Ford will soon move into his new house. The Shiloh Baptist church will soon erect a new church. Miss Lulu Hurt is still on the sick list. Miss Aslie Person is ill at her home. James Walfor is sick. Jas. Norway & company are now carrying a full line of groceries and confectioneries, and desires the patronage of the public. R. P. Futsell is working on his store room, and will soon have it open with a full line of goods. Adella Person would like to learn the whereabouts of Hilliard Person. When last heard from he was in Richmond, Va.

IN THE FIELD OF BUSINESS.

"Be not slothful in business."

"Seest thou a man diligent is his business, he shall stand before kings."—Bible.

Cultivate dignity. Dignity winneth respect, respect gaineth honor, honor maketh fame; fame when founded by dignity, giveth life, the ultimate aim of our efforts.

It is needless to inquire about what kind of business we should enter to be successful We can make most any kind of a business succeed if we have the qualifications Every town in the country with two hundred Negroes, should have at least a Negro grocery. We are often able to find a saloon in a town this large, why not an enterprise more commendable?

A SPECIAL VISIT.

It has always been most interesting to me to become acquainted with the progress we are making along any commendable line. It is no task to put myself out of the way to get information on this subject; when practical, observe appearances and draw conclusions.

I will never forget my first visit to a Negro drug store. I had heard of there being one in the town and resolved to see it before I departed from the place. I walked, I suppose, a mile or more out of the way to reach the establishment. It is natural for us to form imaginary pictures of persons and things we have never seen. My imaginative powers have so often proved deceptive, either pro or con, that I now endeavor to exercise them as little as possible in some instances. We usually overdraw rather than underdraw an imaginary picture. My efforts to keep pictures away on the day of this visit were futile. I had undesirably formed a mental picture of the Negro drug store. Of course as it had been established only a short time, all the furniture and fixtures would be new and clean. If the wood work were not mahogany, it doubtless would be oak. Every thin would be in order and those in charge would be neat and business like in appearance.

Alas, at times, for imagination "that bodies forth the form of things unknown." I arrived at the plae and was introduced to the proprietor who expressed delight at meeting me. I thanked him and assured him that it gave me much real pleasure to visit his store. Here is about what I saw; instead of mahogany or oak, as near as I could judge, it was poplar painted green. That much was excusable, for it is not expected that those starting out in business can afford always to buy the best But these conditions were inexcusable; a dirty floor, uncleaned cuspidors, bottles setting out of order on the shelves, and lastly, the saddest of all several loafers sitting around whose company the propietor seemed to enjoy. Now, "that is not business" If we expect to succeed in any enterprise, let us put forth our efforts to be businesslike in every way. It will be surprising to see how much can be accomplished simply by honest effort alone.

In conclusion I will say that this scene was just one instance. I have seen the opposite picture oftener and am happy to say that those who are indeed businesslike, are by far the more successful. We have many drug stores conducted by members of the race that are a credit. There is room for several times as many more and we hope to hear of new stores every day as long as they are good stores.

I will be please to hear from some of our colored druggists in reference to their work.

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Two nice, large, furnished front rooms for rent at 3138 Armour avenue, second flat.

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MAHARA'S MINSTRELS.—Shenandoah, Ia., Feb. 18 Vallisca, 19; Corning, 20.

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THE DIXIE CONCERT CO.—Slayton Minn. Feb. 15.

W. I. SWAIN'S ORIGINAL NASHVILLE STUDENTS, Gozales Texas; Yoakim, 20; Goliad, 21; Victoria, 24.

It is stated without dispute that Harry H. Walker, Fifth and Charles street St. Joseph, Mo., and Billy Williams, of DesMoines Ia., have two of the most elegantly as well as elaborately furnished sample rooms between St. Louis and San Francisco. The Freeman hopes to have pictures of the interior of these resorts at an early date.

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Mrs. Carrie S. Dixon writes:—The Slayton Tennesseeans are now in Canada doing a good business. They experienced very little trouble in crossing the line and the ladies submitted gracefully to the examination of the health physician who in a very gallant manner passed them through. As it is the law to vaccinate every one who crosses into Canada, the gentlemen thought they would have to bring their persuasive powers to bear, but vaccination had no terrors for the ladies and they behaved like heroines. Now in order to please vocally in this part of the country one must be "reggy." We leave them screaming with laughter at the humorous part of our programme and highly pleased with the refined part. Press notices are galore in praise of the rendition of the difficult number, "Kiss Waltz, written by Luigi Arditi and rendered by Mrs. Julia Ryan Ware, a lady the world should acknowledge as a wonder, her voice being clear, sweet and unassuming. She is one of whom the race should be proud. She responds nightly to many encores. Mr. Aaron Ware (Spot) in his eccentric mood is undoubtedly the Westerner's king of humor. His songs are just the kind to make one see every bit of humor there is in them and his jokes are told in a way that they never hit the fence. His revival of "Brudder Watkins" is unexcelled by any of the most famous readers. Mr and Mrs. ware are people that add tone to any company, socially and artistically. Mr. James E. Hood has been on the sick list but his wonderful bass voice with its low sweet tones is now again mingling with the other voices. George Conley, who everybody knows as one of the greatest tenors living, is still with us. His wife who is with him is out of the ordinary for a beginner. Our most congenial manager, Albert B. Johnson is all smiles over his great success and phenomenal business. His management is unsurpassable and is a criterion for all others to follow. He is a very fine speaker as well. Regards to all especially "Tom The Tattler."

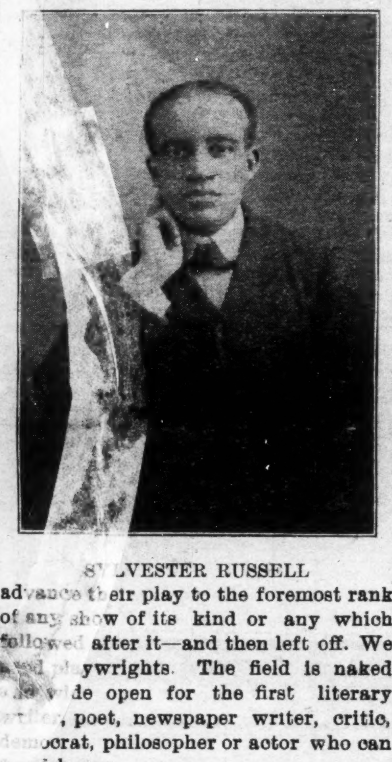
A REVIEW OF THE STAGE.

(BY SYLVESTER RUSSELL)

The day of reckoning in the various branches of business is always a serious day and the day of serious problems affecting the stage work of colored actors is at hand.

The farce comedies, musical comedies comedy dramas and their classifications are all lying heavily on our minds The discrepancy between comic Race opera and rag-time opera is a problem for the musical critics, alone, to decide. The possibility of a play-wright to rise up and distinguish himself—let him be an actor or a democrat—in time for immediate necessity is a question which stares the comedy producers in the face and puts them to their wits end in search of logic and material that may advance their cause and so enrich their treasure. The comedy question is the most popular at present.

Bob Cole and Billy Johnson were the first purveyors of this form of Negro performance and they have set an example for all who may follow after; by beginning with a small town show and, through the medium of tact such as is possessed by Mr. Cole, managed to



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advance their play to the foremost rank of any show of its kind or any which followed after it—and then left off. We need playwrights. The field is naked and wide open for the first literary writer, poet, newspaper writer, critic, democrat, philosopher or actor who can furnish one.

Of the actors, Jessie Shipp and Bob Kelly may be mentioned; neither of them have written a whole play. Bob Cole has been known to register one presumably for production. Manuscript of plays, from now on may be submitted to Bob Cole, Phil R. Miller, Bob Kelley, Ernest Hogan, Jessie Shipp and Miss Belle Davis. These people would be willing to read over new comedies to your hearts content. They can't come too fast. They would be quick to grasp something new thats great and do justice, I think, to the writer. There is no doubt in the proficiency of corored performers to become actors. Take in the legitimate ranks, for instance: Today, Henrietta Vinton Davis can play East Lynn in a manner worthy of a hearing in a New York Theatre or of taking the road as a repertoire star For any manager she would be a safe venture. All good attractions need a New York endorsement before they reach the goal. Strange as it may seem the Rusco & Holland minstrel enterprises never reached New York until manager Gideon safely and securely landed the Nashville Students and placed them in the front ranks of that firms attractians of last season. "A Honolulu Coon" is now in the far West and we have every reason to believe it will be one of the leading farce comedy successes of the future. Howard Mc Carver, of McCarver, Reed and McCarver is interested in this enterprise. Mr. McCarver is a young man of good qualities and a performer with some experience. Bill McCarver is a comedian of much ability. These boys are known as the original Georgia Crackerjacks. "King Rastus," one of last seasons farce comedies, in which Billy Kersands was the "Walking Delegate," Smart & Williams, the smartest actors and Frank Mallory and his relatives, the musical givers is a thing of the past and a joy forever. The same can be said of the "A Rabbit's Foot," which play cannot be mentioned in the same breath with these other comedies. Frank Dumont, a white farce comedy writer, was not in his happiest vein when he wrote about the "Rabbit's Foot." After hearing the manuscript read by Benjamin Hunn in its first rehearsal at Lakeview, N. J., was enough to convince any sane judge that it would never startle the world, North and South. Pat Chappelle who came to New York, green from the South, to produce this play last season did not possess the qualities that would meet the requirements of a better element of performers than he had been used to dealing with at his resort in Florida. It is to be regretted that in this respect and in the matter of a play, Mr. Chappelle had gone wrong.

TWO AFRICAN KINGS.

Under the management of R. Clarence Puggsly, the above named play had its first presentation at Keene, N. H. Jan. 1st. Mr. Puggsley has made some grave mistakes. He had advertised this play in the New York Clipper as a genuine Negro, musical, comedy drama, a big city show. He hired an office in Boston to book up his attraction, naming Wm. E. Dodge Abbott as its proprietor. The play was written by a Boston performer named Waters of the team of Waters and Smith, and only proved to be an ordinary entertaining coon farce; a fair beginning for the writer who cannot yet claim to be a play-wright. Mr. Abott is a young man who had worked in a hotel in a New England town and having saved a few hundred dollars went into this enterprise with no experience in the world except his faith in Mr. Puggsley. The journey from Boston to Keene is over a hundred miles. The jump from the third night's stand to the fourth was over fifty miles and the company stranded before making its fourth nights stand. The company took the road again in a few days, with less people and started out for another struggle. Henrietta Vinton Davis was billed as the star but had hot yet joined the company. If Miss Davis intends to enter the farce comedy element she had better investigate the financial standing before entering into anything where her hard earned reputation is at stake. If Mr. Puggsley had of started in unassumingly knowing there was not the required sum of money behind the enterprise and booked his show in the smaller towns and made his dates closer together there might have been a different story to tell. There is nothing in making a big bid with small money in these days. In justice due Mr. Puggsley, who was formerly one of the original Tennessee warblers; he has had the reputation of being a first-class advance agent, but as a manager we do him no harm but rather do him some good and wish for him ultimate success.

WHAT WE WANT.

It may as well be emphatically stated right here; that the colored American stage has now become so distinguished that the future prosperity of its actors and organizations depends solely upon themselves The white press will not direct our individual or collective fortunes, they are too busy for that. The time has come when we shall submit for observation, comments from the best critics, if found capable, of our own race and journalism. In this new era of the stage we want a clean and clever history. We want managers who are not infamous liars, misrepresentatives and robbers. We want performers who are gentlemen and ladies, truthful, sober, studious and unaffected and whose aims are beyond the tenor of a swell headed scapegoat. To be a successful manager in this day and time, a man must be honest and upright in his purposes, with business tact, judgement, experience and above all things a good financier. He must be a judge of performers and of what constitutes different classes of performances. Performers should know of all these qualities in a manager and the financial standing before joining a company. For barnstormers and haphazzard actors, there is a refuge. These people may apply for jobs in "Uncle Tom" shows, and white Southern plays which employ colored singers and dancers. They can also pose in the song sheets so dear to vaudeville managers, and in all of these command a living salary. Anything short of what has been stated would be to go to work "Mr. stage struck actor," save your money and start out again like a man and do not be lounging idly around like a rotten pumpkin left in the field to rot or be devoured by a hobo.

DRURY AND THE OPERA

New York is to have another Grand Opera production by Theodore Drury, the baritone-tenor star and manager. Gounod's Faust is the opera selected for the next occasion, to be produced in the month of May on a date not yet decided upon. Corinne Rovelto, it is understood has been selected to sing as Marguerette, in opposition to Drury who will as a matter of fact, assume the title role of Faust Miss Rovelto hails from Providence R. I., she is young and tender and quite beautiful to look upon, but one could hardly thing of her seriously in such an exacting role. Vocally it would appear more reasonable to the ear, if not to the eye, to have seen the name of Margaret Scott assigned for the female character, Miss Scott who is now singing in high class vandeville soon expects to sail for Europe. Introducing Carmen last season, Mr. Drury acheived a greater success in this direction than he will ever have again. His success was partly due to the first entire grand opera production by colored people but, never-the-less a creditable performance and a society event. Drury is a hard worker and if he ever expects to get ample recompense for his labors he had better resort to lighter music and produce the "Mikado."

The advent of this Japanese opera with a colored company, advertised as such would play to full houses all over the country. If Theodore Drury will take this tip, he will very readily find a New York manager, after reviewing the performance who would be willing to place the attraction on the road in such a sumptious and legitimate manner that it would eclipse anything yet seen in colored theatricals. The second season could be followed by the 'Little Tycoon' and by that time something else would be in vogue. So Mr Drury has started at the top of the ladder and must come down to a musical level that will suit the general public, tha is if he desires to make money.

DUNBAR AND COOK'S OPERA.

The talk of an opera by Will Marion Cooke and Paul Lawrence Dunbar is no indication of success It is doubtful whether Mr. Dunbar, although a great poet could write a suitabie libretto, even from a racial standpoint, with a fresh story and poems allotted to the different characters for songs. Mr. Dunbar would have to study the traditions of the comic opera stage more closely and could only succeed by giving us high class race humor. Mr. Cooke's task would be easier. He would have to confine his music strictly to original slavonic melodies, except his marches, his dance music and his songs for comedians which would be the only rag-time admitted into comic opera. Mr. Dunbar's success would depend on his dialogue and story. If these two talented men are equal to the requirements already related then we are on the threshold of legitimate Race Opera. "Clorinda was no opera. It was simply a good, first-class, rag-time, musical cake-walk. There is no such thing as a rag-time opera; no opera can be writen all in rag-time.

FLORA BATSON IN BOSTON.

Miss Flora Batson, queen of song. back from her recent Australian tour made her re-appearance in Boston at the Twelfth Baptist church, Thursday evening Jan. 26 before a crowded house, every inch of space in the gallery was filled and people were standing up. When Miss Batson made her first entrance there was an evation which must have made her heart feel good. She sang one of Arditti's most difficult airs and for an encore, 'The Fatal Rose of Red," in baritone. Miss Batson's voice has not lost its sweetness. Her articulation and enunciation were as pleasing as of yore. She was chiefly supported by Girard Miller, bass singer and mimic Mr. Miller's first appearance in a light colored suit, with his hair combed up high, looked unbecoming for such an occasion. His next appearance was in a black dress suit with his hair parted in the middle and brushed down in style. Of his selections, he rendered, "Deep in the Mine," and a march song with good results, Mr Miller is not a great singer but is capable of holding his own. His imitations of Jews, Negroes and Italians in dialect were entrancing. Miss Batson who was distinctly the star of the evening need not sing so much classical music hereafter. Colored audiences have changed and more songs like "Woman's Way is Best" will suit them best. The scene from Il'Trovatore by Miss Batson and Mr. Miller was excellent Miss Batson says she is delighted with Australia and would like to go back but her mother won't let her. She wore a heavy prune colored dress worked with chrysanthemums and diamond rings on her right hand worth $500; all imported from Australia.

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J. Harry Jackson sends the following from New York City:—The mammoth cake walk and jubilee given at Madison Square Garden, Feb. 5th, was a grand success The affair was under the personal direction of Messrs. Luke Pulley and B. M. Butler. Among those that appeared prominently in the jubilee were: Mme. Robinson, Henry Baxter Mrs. Luke Pulley, Jerry Mills, Wm. Hill and the Four-in-Hand Quartette, which is composed of the following singers: Ambros Davis, M. Stackhouse, Arthur Willmore and Wm. Johnson The winners of the cake walk: First prize, Wm. (Pickanniny) Hill and Miss Maggie Taylor; second prize, Buddie Gilmore and Miss Mattie Brown; third prize, Chas Norris and Miss Nannie Jones. Among those who appeared in the cake walk were: James Russell, Clarence Wright, J E Lipsey and wife, May Wyncuff, Lulu Gant, Annie Pleasant, Billy Ritchie, Carry Francis, Maud Robinson, Laura Jones, Annie Wilmore, M. Landers, L F. Vierre, Lillie Norris, Anneta Fagan, James Richmond and Walter Cormick.

Nina Diva and her Octoroons left Friday of last week for Philadelphia, from which place they sailed Saturday for Germany. Smart & Williams arrived in the city from Chicago last week. Ed Goggin left Friday to visit his mother and friends in Washington, D C. Avery & Hart, in their clever impersonation of Williams & Walker, are headliners at Hyde & Behman's, Brooklyn, this week. Murphy & Slater arrived in town Sunday, after a successful tour of the Kieth's circuit. Miss Marie Bolden is singing with success, "Just at the Turn of the Tide," "In the Valley of Old Kentucky" and "In a Mansion of Aching Hearts," her latest ballad, which is published by Von Tilzer. Mr Al. Von Tilzer is rehearsing Miss Bolden personally. Tom Brown is a card this week at Proctor's Twenty-third Street Theatre. He was also on the big veudeville bill Sunday night at the Third Avenue Theatre. S. H. Dudley and his big company left Sunday for Springfield, Mass., where they are presenting this week Mr. Dudley's funny farce entitled, "Coonviile Society." The roster of the company is as follows: S. M. Dudley, general manager; George Williams, stage manager; Walter Smart, business manager; Simpson & Pittman, Brandow & Arlington, Allie Brown, James White, the Baileys, John Jones, Chas White, Lonnie Crosby, Misses Alberta Ormes, Ida Day, Midget Price, Eva Swanson, and Henry Austin's silver cornet band. Mrs. Susan M. Jones, mother of the clever comedian, Irving Jones, died in this city on Feb. 4th, and was buried on the 7th.

Brandow and Arlington, preteau sketch artists, have just finished a very successful tour of the New England States They are booked to appear at the London Theatre, Bowery, week commencing February 17, with week engagements at Fall River, New Bedford, Lowell and Boston Mass., to follow in the order mentioned. Jube Johnson left for Philadelphia Sunday. Jerry Mills was the winner of the buck-dancing championship contest at the Madison Garden, Feb. 5 Moore and Hammond's "Big Bunch of Blackberries" were in Baltimore, Md., at the Eureka Club, Monday evening, Feb 10 Among those with the company were John Boyer, Eddie James, Mat Wells, John Mitchell, George Hammond, Chas. H. Moore, Adolph Henderson, Buddie Gilmore, Mattie Brown, Laura Bowie, Etta Minor, Etta Hammonds and Nannie Jones. Simpson and Pittman, novelty musical artists, have signed contracts for next season with Rusco & Holland's Big Minstrel Festival as a special feature. They send regards to Lacy. A big reception was tendered the members of the monster cake walk aggregation by Messrs. Luke Pulley and Z M. Butler on the evening of Feb 4 at Central Hall and a grand time was had by over two hundred persons Excellent musical numbers were rendered on the occasion by Mme Pulley, Miss Etta Minor and James O. Lipsey. Harry Brown left Sunday for Philadelphia, where he opens for a tour of the Kieth circuit. He will appear at Kieth's Union Square Theatre, this city, week commencing March 3. Read The Freeman and keep posted.

Steubenville News.

Steubenville, O., Special —The fourth quarterly meeting of Sixth Street M. E. church was held last Sunday. Rev. T. L. Ferguson the Presiding Elder preached two able sermons. It was said to have been the best quarterly meeting of the year. Rev. C T Lewis the pastor is serving his third year at this charge and the people are anxious for his return. The church is in the midst of a glorious revival the meetings are being conducted by Rev. Joel Perkins of Marion, O. There has been four conversions during the week Several seekers are earnestly inquiring the way and much interest is manifested 65 communed Sunday collection $54 Rev Anderson of Petersburg, Va., preached for Rev. Primus Alston of the A M E Sunday evening The Woman's Reading Club met Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. A Tanner N. 8th street, Mrs. C. W. Murray presided. Following is the program rendered: Class subject "The Hyer Sisters," the subject was opened by Mrs Tanner; Recitation, "Phoebe Carey," by Mrs. L. Jackson; Paper, "The duties of ministers wife," Mrs. P. Alston; Singing by the club. The Query box question was an interesting feature. We wish the club success. A new but interesting Literary Reading club has sprung into existance among the young ladies and gentleman of our city. Its object is to cultivate a taste for good literture and to become better acquainted with the standard Authors and their works. The club is under the management of Mr. Chas. R Lewis who is an energetic and a popular young man. He is in the second year at High School, abreast with the times and capable of making the club interesting. We predict for the club a brilliant future. Mr. Samuel Thomas one of our leading barbers has been on the sick list but is convalescent. Mrs. B. J. Guyder has been confined to her bed with a severe cold for a week, she is much better and hopes to be well in a day or two. Miss Mary E Logan of Martin Ferry was the guest of Miss Lucy E. Lewis, S. 6th street a few days ago. Born to the wife of Mr. Hamilton Cook a fine 10 pound girl. Mother and baby are doing well.

Carrollton Items.

Carrollton, Mo., Special.—The L. M. S. C. met at the resident of Mrs. Elliott Friday evening. Mrs Amie Davis give her concert at Russell hall Wednesday night, quite a large crowd greeted Mr. Davis and she thanks the public for turning out and helping her. Miss Lizzie Boone has returned from Kansas City, Mo. Mrs. Mollie Brown left work Saturday evening with a very bad leg it was reported Monday that she was not any better. Her daughter is on the sick list.

"The proof of the pudding is in the eating," remarked the Wise Guy "Shucks," exclaimed the Simple Mug, "The proof of the pudding is in the digesting."

Progressing.—Buffer—"How is your son getting on with his painting in Paris?" Binabroad—"Splendidly! That boy will be an artist some day; why, he can almost paint pictures now so that you have an idea what they are."—Ohio State Journal.

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REV. EDWARD L. GILLIAM, EDITOR

A committee appointed by the trusees of the Northwestern University, has recommended the request for Prof. Parson's resignation. It will be remembered that the professor recently stated that he did not believe in the miracles of the Bible. In view of this stand it is difficult to understand how he could expect to remain in the Methodist church, which accepts without question, not only the minor miracles, but that greatest of all, the miracle of the resurrection. The only manly course open to he professor is to resign.

LINCOLN STATUE, Boston, Mass.

THE LINCOLN MONUMEMT.

We are pleased to present our readers with a cut of the 'Lincoln Group' in Park Square, Boston. It shows the crouching form of the slave, just freed from the manacles, slowly rising to an upright position. Thirty-nine years have passed but he is not yet standing upright. Lincoln just commenced the great work of freedom. Dr. Thirkield, secretary Freedmen's Aid Society of the M. E church, well says, "The instance between slavery and freedom is almost immeasurable. The way is hard and long." Carlyle says, "You cannot destroy slavery by an act of Parliament."

The proclamation of Abraham Lincoln destroyed only the name. The effects of the iniquitous system still remain, and only can be eradicated by giving not only industrial and classical education to the emancipated race, but they must be given a Christian education—that is, an education with Jesus Christ and His teachings in it. The Methodist Episcopal church, through its Freedmen's Aid Society, the Presbyterians and Baptist, the Congregationalists and Episcopalians, the A. M. E., A. M. E. Z. and C. M. E churches, with their Academies, Normals, Industrial, Pharmaceutical, Dental, Medical, Law and Art departments, having converted, consecrated men and women as instructors, are doing the noblest and grandest work of the 20th century in uplifting and upbuilding a race.

A MINISTERIAL PROBLEM.

The Indianapolis Journal of Sunday, Feb. 2d, contains quite a lengthy editorial under the above caption, based upon a discussion had at the Ministerial Union, of this city, of the question, "Does education make it easier to serve God?" The Journal well says:

The arguments at first thought seem to be all in support of the affirmative side of the question. The benefits of education are so many that it is natural to assume that it makes for righteousness as well as for material and intellectual advantage. But, look at it in the light of specific illustration, is it so? Is the scholar, the sage, of one's acquaintance more observant of the laws of conduct; is he more thoughtful for others, more unselfish, a kinder neighbor or a more honest citizen than his less enlightened neighbor? By no means invariably so. If he found goodness easier of practice would it not be so? And if he is, indeed, a truly good man, lacking in none of the requirements of Christian behavior, is this merit ascribed to him as a consequence of his learning? Not at all. But, it is urged, he understands so much better what is required of him that he must find it easier to act. Does he, indeed? Does he not rather begin to question and to set his puny knowledge against that which has hitherto been accepted as divine wisdom? The more he knows the less simple do life and its laws appear.

It is all too true that in many, very many, instances the educated men and women are apt to set their puny knowledge over against that of God, and it is just here that the danger point lies. For just in proportion as one begins to magnify his knowledge, does he attempt to minify the Divine. It is true also that the more one knows of God the more willing and able one is to serve God, but simple knowledge—having but learning—unguided by the spirit of God does not make it the easier to serve Him. An education based upon right principles, lift one up to God, and to righteous living.

Secretary I. Garland Penn, in addition to his work in attending the annual and district conferences in the interest of the Epworth League of the M. E. church, is also promoting interest in a "Young People's Religious Congress" to be held in Atlanta, Ga., next August. He recently headed a delegation which called on President Roosevelt, inviting him to attend. The President promised to take the matter under advisement.

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INDIANAPOLIS NOTES.

The revivals in many of the churches have been closed owing to the fear of small-pox and cold weather.

Rev. W. W. Locke is preaching able sermons each night at Simpson Chapel The congregations are increasing. Four conversions last week, and many seekers at the altar. The meeting will close Tuesday night, Feb. 18

The small-pox scare and the almost epidemic of scarlet fever have greatly crippled the revival services.

The Baptists of this city have succeeded in securing a sufficient amount to make first payment on the college property which they have purchased on Hill avenue. They are to be congratulated.

Quarterly meeting at Simpson to-morrow. Presiding Elder Sissle will preach at 11 a m. Rev. E M. Smith, pastor Walter's Chaple at 3 p. m. and Rev. W W. Locke, at 7:30 p. m. This is the fourth and last quarter of the year and every member is expected and friends invited.

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IN order to protect the public from the numerous quack nostrums now on the market, which claim to straighten and cause the hair to grow long, and which are simply put up by a lot of quacks, charlatans, and fakirs, who have no chemical skill, with the sole idea to get your hard-earned cash and give you nothing in return for your money but a dirty, sticky mass of worthless greases, which injure the hair and cause it to fall out, we have placed our trade-mark, granted to us by the Government of the United States of America, on every box of OZONO, King of all Hair-Growers and Hair-Straighteners. This trade-mark consists of two heads, as shown in this advertisement—one head showing short, curly hair, the other showing long, flowing hair. Any preparation showing the heads with the hair done up in a coil, or showing features different from the faces shown in this advertisement, is not OZONO. Seeing our marked success with the true hair-straightener, OZONO, King of all Hair-Growers, numerous firms are now widely advertising spurious compounds, and trading on the reputation that we have made for OZONO. Do not be fooled by these flaring advertisements, which are all promises. Buy the gen ine and only original King of all Hair Tonics, OZONO. Two hundred and fifty thousand colored people bought OZONO in the last twelve months. OZONO is sold in every State in the Union, all over Europe, Asia, Africa, and South America, also in Cuba and the West Indies. Its fame has travelled around the world, because it is a true Hair Tonic, that straightens without any outside assistance. No hot irons are used; nothing but OZONO. It not only straightens the hair, but produces a long, silky, beautiful, luxurious growth of soft, fine hair. To neglect your hair is more than foolish, when you can increase its beauty by a few applications of OZONO. We can send OZONO to any place that you may live in, no matter where you may live. The price of OZONO is 50c. a box, sent to any point on receipt of price. Four boxes is a complete treatment. In order to introduce this great Hair Tonic, we will send to you, on receipt of only $1.00, the following grand aggregation: Four boxes of OZONO; one bottle of ELECTRICAL SKIN REFINER, which softens rough skin and brightens black skin, making it several shades lighter, worth 50c.; also one bottle of ELECTRICAL SKIN FOOD, Nature's cure for all skin diseases, such as Pimples, Tan, Acne, Itch, Eczema, and Boils. It also removes Wrinkles, and makes the skin soft and pliant. We will also include a one-pint package of ANTI-ODOR, which removes all smells and odors arising from the human body, such as feet, armpits, &c.; also one bar of our PURITY SCALP SOAP, made expressly for the human scalp. This grand aggregation offer is made to introduce honest goods. Cut out this coupon and mail to us, with $1.00, and we will send the goods the same day we receive the money. If you send $3.00, we will send you four lots; if you send $2.00, we will send you three lots. If you have a friend who wishes to take advantage of this lot, let them pin their name to this coupon, and the goods will be sent promptly. If this offer is read by some one who does not own this newspaper, they can get the goods by simply sending $1.00 and mentioning the name of the paper in which they saw our advertisement. Parties who desire one of our MAGNETIC COMBS, which aids materially in the straightening process, can obtain same by sending 50c. extra. Remember, OZONO is guaranteed to straighten the hair—to make it grow long, soft, and glossy; also to cure all itching, burning, humiliating scalp diseases. To make the hair grow out again on bald spots, especially around the temples, there is no Hair Tonic on earth one-half so good. The Boston Chemical Company holds a charter granted by the State of Virginia. We also refer to the Metropolitan Bank of Richmond, Va., and to the Southern Express Company. Register your letters; it protects you. Address your letters plainly to—

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One large package Purity Scalp Soap, worth	25
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News Items.

Muncie, Ind. Special.—The ladies of the Mite Missionary Society gave an excellent program at the A. M. E. church Sunday evening. The program was as follows: Song, by the choir; Scripture Reading, Mrs. Omer Knox; Invocation, Mrs. Allen; Song, "Lead Kindly Light" choir; Paper, by the president, Mrs. Felix Harrold; Song, "Nearer My God to Thee" choir; Paper, "The Relation of the Mite Missionary to the Church," by Miss Della Evans: Solo, Mrs. Dr. Cooper Paper, "Our Martyred President," Mrs Dr. Norrell: Oration, "McKinley as a Statesman," Miss Hattie Coleman; Song "America," choir; collection $4.50 for the McKinley Monument Fund. The officers of the Mite Missionary are: President, Mrs. Harrold; vice, Mrs. Coleman; secretary, Miss Hattie Coleman; assistant secretary, Mrs. Nora Adams; corresponding secretary, Miss Della Evans; treasurer, Mrs. Riffe. This, the ladies first entertainment was very commendable and greatly enjoyed by all present. The revivals are still in progress at both churches. Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Cooper are entertaining the brother of the latter at their home in Normal City. W. Lyons made a flying trip to Anderson Saturday. All persons desiring The Freeman, leave orders at W E. Robbins's barber shop, E. Main-st. opposite the Kirby House.

News Items.

Memphis, Tenn., Special.

The largest gathering among hotel men was seen at the cooks and waiters' club room Monday night to hear the lecture made by Mr James Bacon headwaiter at the Peabody hotel for over 26 years. His address was highly appreciated by the members of the Cooks and Walter's Association. There were others, also, who spoke very briefly. The president, Mr. Levi James made the opening address, then the toastmaster and secretary L. W. Wims, introduced one of our leading members, Mr. J. W. Gilliam, next R Boon, then C. S. Ray and Chas Robinson, all of whom spoke well for the success of the Cooks and Waiter's Association. Mr Bacon then wished the club success and was made an honorary member, the motion being put by S. J. Jordan and L W. Wims. On Tuesday night, Tribe No. 1, of the Avery Chaple, A M. E. church held their meeting in the Cooks and Waiters club rooms, Mrs. A. E Whitlow, captain with a large crowd The meeting was visited by friends of Chicago Ill, and spoke well of the affairs. L. W. Wims made a trip to Holly Springs to a wedding affair. All agents must report for their papers every Friday night. The Turf Exchange Ball that was given by Carter Richardson in honor of his many friends was attended by the following Memphisians: H. C. Ashford, Miss Viola Robinson, Emmett Malone and George Fitzhugh. The ball was the finest affair of the season. Poney Moore and party wers out in full dress as were all the visitors. After the ball a wine feast was had.

Troy News.

Troy, Ala., Special.—Rev. R. L. Pope, D. D., preached an excellent sermon Sunday night, Jan. 26, at St. Paul A. M. E. Church. St. Paul Sunday school elected the following officers: Charles E, Fryer, superintendent; Mrs. Mary J. Pryor, assistant superintendent; Miss Nettie Buchanna, secretary; W. H. Wallace, assistant secretary; Miss Jennie Mahone, treasurer; Miss Cathrine Hartsfield, librarian; Miss Annie Rhynes, assistant librarian; Mrs. R. L. Pope, organist; Miss Lenora High, assistant organist. Teachers.—Rev. R. L. Pope, Charles Fryer, Mrs. R. L. Pope, A. S. Coskery and Miss N. Buchanna. Rev. A. C. Core of Ansley, Ala,, was in the city last week. Subscribe or The Freeman the best colored newspaper published; copies on sale every Saturday by W. H. Wallace, general agent, postoffice box 190.

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Instant Relief. Cure in 15 days. Never returns. I will gladly send to any sufferer in a plain sealed envelope FREE a prescription with full directions for a quick, private cure for Lost Manhood, Night Losses, Nervous Debility, Small Weak Parts, Varicocele, etc. Address L. F. PAGE, Private Box 710, MARSHALL, MICH.

The statement that Isaiah T. Montgomery of Mississippi is a Democrat is false. He is a Republican. Fight fair brethren.—The New York Age.

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Write to your Congressman and let him know what you think about the Crumpacker bill.—The Advocate, Charleston W. Va.

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The policy of abandoning the Philippines, savors very strongly of shirking a duty. They seem to want to lay down the "White Man's Burden" long before the proper time.—The Kentucky Standard.

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Bishop L. J. Coppin, of the A. M. E. church, in charge of the work of his church in South Africa, has returned to this country after an absence of one year. He will return to his field of labor after a few week's rest. Bishop C. T. Shaffer of the same church has recently sailed for the West Coast of the dark continent to establish and supervise their missions.—The Southwestern Christian Advocate.

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The Crumpacker movement against disfranchisement seems to be taking more definite shape. The disfranchisers are becoming alarmed. We are not in favor of the bill, but it will serve the purpose of keeping matters alive along the line of the rights of the people.—American Presbyterian, Charlotte, N. C.

A man like this Washington is a blessing to his race. A student of man, he is almost the master of conditions. Politicians have never been able to dazzle him. His bearing is a constant lesson in politeness; he knows how to be practical and at the same time courteous. To him the Negro problem is not gloomy. He teaches the doctrine of education and thrift, reads history, respects the traditions of the past in so far as they are worthy of respect, but with steady finger points to the future. As one of the principal organizers of the National Negro Business League, he is doing a work that will lift his people out of the thraldom of want and shiftlessness.—Opie Read in American Citizen, Denver, Col

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From what we learn Bishop Arnett is not satisfied with securing the displacement of Recorder of Deeds Cheatham, but he is now endeavoring to place his son, Henry Y. Arnett, who was the bone of contention, in the Recorder of Deeds' office, as Secretary of the U. S. Legation at Monrovia, Liberia. To do this he must displace Mr. J. R. Spurgeon, the only colored representative of Kentucky in the Consular service Mr. Spurgeon has made a fine record in that position and deserves to be continued. Ohio is already fairly well taken care of and certainly the good Bishop ought not to be willing to take from Kentucky colored Republicans their only Presidential appointment even to make a place for his talented son.—American Baptist, Louisville, Ky.

Don't write foolish letters to men or telephone intimately. Men are too busy fighting the world to read long letters and detest telephone risks.

Race Gleanings.

A friend of the Tuskegee Institute has recently given the money providing two sets of bath houses, one for boys and one for girls, to contain shower baths and swimming pools.

Rt. Rev. L. J. Coppin, D D, presiding Bishop of South Africa, is expected to be home this month.

Bishop William B. Derrick of New York, who is over the 300 African Methodist churches in Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey and the New England states, will deliver the sermon at the three hundred and fifty-third anniversary of the Huguenot church in Canterbury, England, in July.

Miss Nettie Ricks, of Cleveland, O., a graduate of the Freedman's Hospital, Washington, D C, has just accepted work at Tuskegee as associate head-nurse in the hospital and nurse-training division.

The large telescope purched in Paris, Frauce, by Rev. P. A. Hubbard, the Financial Secretary of the A. M E. church, was presented to the Wilberforce University, is expected to reach New York during the present month. The students are highly elated over the gift and will add much to the school.

It is about definitely settled that Booker T. Washington will be selected as Director General of the Negro exhibit at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition to be held in St Louis in 1903.

William Gwin, the colored messenger, who has served 13 Secretaries of State during the past 30 years, wears a gold watch inscribed, "From William M. Evarts to William Gwin, February, 1893."

Rev. E. W. Lampton of Greenville, Miss., was elected Financial Secretary of the A. M. E. church at the Bishop's Council.

The Middle States and Mississippi Valley Exposition, managed by colored people, will be held in the city of Chicago for ten days, from August 14, to August 24, 1902. The very novel exhibition will be held in the interest of the Endowment Fund for the Home of Aged and Infirm Colored People.

Richard D. Lynch of Youngston, Ohio, and L. H. Jones of Finlay were re elected respectively enrolling clerk of the Ohio senate and engrossing clerk of the house.

MADAM M'NAIRDEE

Has Returned to the City.

The gifted Clairvoyant, the great female wonder, born with the double(caul) veil, she is one of the old ancient Southern Clairvoyants of New Orleans. She's a living Phrenologist and Physiogomist. She tells plainly what you are best adapted for in life by reading your brains and mind. With a grasp of her hand she gives you a coil of influence to enable you to overcome all bad luck. She has made thousands of homes happy. Read the fifth chapter ix verse of St. Matt: "Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the children of God." She reunites the separated, makes peace where there is confusion. Your husband or wife will never become angry or your sweet heart forsake you. But will love you better and marry you sooner if you will only heed this lady's consultation. Read what several ladies of your city say, "Yes, we believe her a Godsend to our city; my husband and I had been seperated over a year and, just think since I called on this lady, he returned today, we are together and happy." This young lady says: "The one loved refused to call or write me; I called on this lady and we are now engaged." You can't afford to

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miss consulting this gifted lady; she is gifted to read characters. She challenges the world to excell her advice on love, losses business, family and financial troubles. Re-unites the separated causes speedy marriage with the one of your choice. No cards allowed in her place of business; no one's ill wishes filled; strictly a Christian lady and depends entirely on her heavenly gift. If you are painful or ailing, think you have been witchcrafted go to see her. She spent eight years in the Jungles of Africa and has travelel through 34 states doing good wherever she went. Read St. John, 9th chap. 33d ver: "If this man were not of God he could do nothing." [illegible] arrainged that you meet [illegible] nor strangers: everything confidential. Owing to such crowds you may call night or day. Permanently located. Send money by postal order or Registered letter.

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MADAM M'NAIRDEE.

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WRITE HER AT ONCE FOR ALL INFORMATION.

There is no doubt of this lady's prophetic power. She is a living phrenologist, palmist and a natural born clairvoyant to which thousands will testify. She is a God send to our country—born with a gift that no one can dictate. Tell you every incident of your past and present life and put you on the road of success both financially and physically if you will only heed her instructions. I called on her when the one I love had gone I knew not where and he returned at once, and today I am his dear wife.

A LADY of Fort Gibson, Ind. T.

Madame,—I feel it my duty to do this for you are all you advertise. Just think my husband and I have been separated 2 years; I called on you in September and in a week's time he returned and married me, and I can't praise you too much. Ladies that are heart-broken by family troubles, love affairs and bad luck until it seem that life is a blank, call or write to this dear lady, she will do you good; she will tell you to trust God and she will do the balance, and she will.

A LADY of Rossland, B. C.

Dear Sisters and Brothers—Call on her when you can, she will be please to meet you and will when ever you wish to. She devotes her entire time for the welfare of the people believing God will reward her. She will make your very soul glad to hear her talk of heaven for she writes such soul searching letters, tells you how to make home happy. Please always enclose stamp for answer. Here she is as she looks today and a bride three weeks

MADAME McNAIRDEE-MOORE,
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Crawfordsville Notes.

Crawfordsville, Ind, Special.—There was a very delightful and successful concert at Odd Fellows' Hall, Jan 30 There were some very valuable presents given away, as follows: Mr. Horace Rolls sold the highest number of tickets and received a gold watch chain; Mrs. Josie Wooden sold the next highest number and received a nice table cover Mrs. Maria Pierce held the lucky number that was given with each ticket and received a set of silverware. Miss Emma Gibson received a beautiful brooch for being considered by the audience to be the prettiest young lady in the hall. Alford Mosley of Waveland, has entered the Crawfordsville high school. We wish the young man much success. Robert Thomas has become proprietor of the barber shop at 109 E Market street. Mr. Thomas is a young man that deserves to be encouraged as he has gained his present position through his own efforts. S. G. Paris has also put in a nice stock of notions and jewelry in the same building. He solicits the patronage of all his friends. The Second Baptist Church Aid Society held a very successful entertainment Saturday evening, Feb. 1. Mr. Frank Smith of Darke county, Ohio, and Mrs Mollie McCowen of Indianapolis are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Harris. The Second Baptist church have recognized the choir again, and expect to make it second to none in the city. Last Wednesday evening, after prayer meeting, quite a number of the members of the A. M. E. church met at the residence of Mrs. Mary Hartwood and marched to the parsenage and surprised the pastor and family with a lot of elegant groceries. Saturday evening Mrs Anna Patterson and Mrs. N. T Davis entertained, at the A. M. E. church parsonage, Rev. and Mrs Saunders, son and daughter, Prof. and Mrs. M A. Teester, Mrs. Mary Moore, Misses Lulu Gurnell, Grace Keene, Ethel Davis and Dortha Hale. Ice cream and coffee were served. Quite a pleasant evening was spent in conversation, and all departed declaring that they had been handsomely entertained. Prof. and Mrs. M. A. Teester entertained Rev. Saunders and wife, Master Hillard D. and Madge May Saunders and Miss Dortha Hale at dinner on Sunday, Feb. 2, the occasion being the first birthday of Madgee May Saunders. An elaborate dinner was served as only the professor can serve in his unique style. The Second Baptist Sunday-school is progressing rapidly under Mr. John Byers as superintendent. Rev. D. M. Turner is on the sick list.

News Items.

Granite City, Ill. Special:—Star club had their regular meeting, Tuesday night. Rev. J. Stark will furnish you with choice meats and other good things from his market. Rev. Harris of St. Louis was circulating among his friends Sunday. Mrs. Alf. Alexander is improving. Eugene Hyde has located here. M. H. Holmes, special police of West Granite has been relieved from watching the levee, the small-pox quarantine having been raised. Little Lovey Blanton wanted The Freeman. Will Blanton her father is stamper at the A. S. F. He is a jolly good fellow and understands his business. Mose Taylor is on the sick list. Mack Power was all smiles when the Freeman arrived. He loves his race and is glad to see them filling high positions. Alf Alexander made a flying trip to St. Louis on the 1st. Caroline Baker is on the sick list.

DON'TS.

Don't consider yourself the axle of the world. You are only a spoke.

Don't ask God for foolish things. Remember He is all wisdom.

Don't waste emotion. Excessive feeling disturbs the brain, weakens the heart and ages the body.

Don't confuse fault finding with criticism. One has its root in captiousness the other in kindness.

SPORT

Edited By BREAKAWAY.

Champion Jim Jeffries said in Boston recently that he would pay no attention to the challenge of "Denver Ed" Martin, the big Negro boxer who was Gus Ruhlin's sparring partner. Jeffries says he will not fight a colored man.

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Baltimore, Md., Jan. 31.—Young Peter Jackson to-night won his fight from Harry Fisher, of New York, in the ninth round of what was scheduled to be a twenty-round bout before the Eureka Athletic Club.

In the eighth and ninth rounds Jackson simply made a chopping block out of Fisher's back, over the kidneys, and the New Yorker threw up the sponge. Fisher was fat and beefy and in no condition to fight. He hit Jackson often enough to put any man out, but his blows lacked steam. Jackson played almost entirely for the kidneys, and Fisher was whipped after the fourth round

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Young Peter Jackson put Jack Bonner the big Pennsylvania miner in the ranks of the "has beens" last week in the ring of the Washington Sporting Club of Philadelphia defeating him in six rounds.

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"DOBBS WON FROM WARD."

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 22.—"Bobby" Dobbs of Baltimore outpointed "Denny" Ward of Newark, N. J., in a ten round bout here last night and was awarded the decision. The Dobbs-Ward battle was fast throughout and Dobbs earned the decision by clever fighting and aggressiveness. He was after his man at all times and only Ward's strength kept him from taking the full count.

Jack Ward of Baltimore and Casper Leon of New York fought a ten round draw in the preliminary.

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Correct to the Last—"Anyhow," chuckled the somewhat fastidious horse thief as the regulators adjusted the noose about his neck, "it isn't a ready-made tie."—Chicago Tribune.

Don't expect a mortal to wear celestist wings. This earth is not atmospherically adapted to seraphim.

FARM AND HOME

The Black Langshans are one of the best winter layers of large, dark brown eggs. They possess a good deal of activity for a big fowl, and are quite hardy, but not so desirable as a market fowl on account of dark pinfeathers.

Sometimes rabbits make bad work girdling trees in young orchards. Many trees thus injured can be saved by opening a six inch tile lengthwise, placing it around the trunk of the tree. Secure it with a wire at the top and bottom and fill it with moist earth. The following autumn the damaged bark will usually be healed.

The soil for young fruit trees should be deeply plowed, and if subsoiled so much the better. The surface should also be harrowed fine. Planting trees in holes is well enough, but the land nevertheless requires preparation, so as to afford the roots facilities for making rapid growth at the start. The shorter the tops of the young trees the less work the roots will have to perform, but pruning the trees should be judiciously done.

It may not be generally known that a United States experiment station has been established in Hawaii, and that its first bulletin has been issued. Its subject is "Chickens and Their Diseases." Diseases are so prevalent that chickens are a great luxury, selling at $12 to $18 per dozen, and eggs at 45 cents to 60 cents per dozen. In country districts the mongoose, which is very fond of young chickens, is a further cause of scarcity.

The degree of cold to which seeds may be subjected probably depends upon the vitality of the seed and the amount of moisture contained. It is claimed by some that cold merely suspends the power of germination, as seeds of barley, squash, oats, cucumbers, sunflowers, peas and other plants have been kept over one hundred hours at a temperature of from 183 to 192 degrees centigrade by the use of liquid air. The seeds were thawed slowly (fifty hours), planted, and many of them germinated.

Profits on the farm are not as quickly secured as in some industries, but the farm is a sure source of income. Though the profits of some years may be but little, yet the gains are cumulative, the fertility added to the soil being a future store from which to draw. In some occupations panics or business depressions bring ruin upon the merchant or manufacturer, but the farm remains as a source of revenue for its owner, and that which may have been years accumulating is ready and available at any time

Keep the seed potatoes from sprouting. During the warm days of winter ventilate the cellar well, so as to have the potatoes in cool condition. One reason why seed potatoes keep so well in New England is that the climate is favorable, the seed being less liable to warm conditions than here. As near 40 degrees temperature as possible should be observed, and dampness should be avoided. Seed for early potatoes may be spread out and allowed to sprout, but the seed should then be planted immediately.

There is no perfect food for all purposes. Everything depends upon what is to be accomplished. If the object is to fatten an animal the food should contain a larger proportion of corn than if the desire is to promote growth. Of the various foods grass is equal to any, as it is rich in mineral matter and is also an assistant in fattening because it promotes digestion and is eaten slowly. For milk production grass may be assisted by the concentrated foods and also by hay, but only a variety of food is perfect for any purpose.

Gooseberries are profitable and can be grown on a more extended scale if given as much care as is bestowed upon other fruits. The plants are propagated to some extent by cuttings, but generally by layers. The earth is heaped in a mound around the bushes, and the young sprouts will strike root. They can be planted four feet apart each way and the soil should branch. The plants should be well cultivated and heavily pruned. The fruit grows on the buds formed on two-year-old wood and on sprus and buds of older growth. Pruning should be done by cutting out extra shoots and also cutting back the new growth.

Farm Animals Asleep.

"In mild weather," said a gentleman farmer, "my horses and cattle sleep afield, and sometimes I wander softly among them in the moonlight. It is strange to see how they lie, with every head pointed in the same direction—the direction from which the wind is blowing. Do you know why that is? It is because they have in them an instinct of fear, and they front the wind so that their keen noses may catch instantly the first breath of an approaching danger. Poor thing! All you have to do is to approach softly from behind, and you can be right in amongst them before they are aware of it. My horses are even more cautious than my cattle, for they, in addition to facing the wind, sleep also with one ear cocked forward. Then I have a dog that sleeps not only facing the wind and with one ear cocked, but with one eye open also. He is, for sure, a coward."—Philadelphia Record.

Dyersburg Notes.

Rev. J. H. Foulkes gave to the congregation of C. M. E. church at 11 a. m. Sunday, Feb. 2, one of his excellent sermons. Subject: "The Suffering of Christ"—Luke xvii-xxvii. Rev. C. R Baxter seems to look much better since the arrival of his wife last Tuesday morning, who has been spending a few months with her daughter in St. Louis, Mo Mrs. Lula Parlord, better known as Lula Benton, took her departure from Dyersburg to make her future home in Pueblo Col. Her many friends hate to see her leave. Alex. Connell was in town visiting his family and friends last week. Jesse James has been on the sick list for a week, but is able to be out again. Prof. John Morfette, the famous cornetist, on his way home to Texas gave Dyersburg a day's visit. Miss Carnella Oliver is still in Memphis, Tenn., on the sick list. Her brother Lee went down to see her. He reports that she is getting better. The High School Lyceum, which meets every Friday evening, cordially invites friends to come and participate in the meeting.

Cable News Notes.

Cable, Ohio, Special.—Mrs. Ella Hathcock of Urbana, Ohio, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. Weaver. Mr. S. Weaver, one of our esteemed farmers, has been seriously ill with dropsy and heart trouble but is some better at this writing. Fred Thomas of Springfield and his sister Emma of Urbana, Ohio, are visiting their parents. Mrs. Ella Worthington has accepted a position as nurse at Mrs. Grant Nansizer's. Mrs Lamus of Middletown is a steady visitor to our city each week lately. Jim Weaver of Mingotown is visiting his sick father this week. Wm. Miles of Middletown was lucky last week. Tom and Jerry would make good names for them. Both boys, are doing fine. Henry Whittier had the fingers of his right hand cut off a short time ago. He has the sympathy of The Freeman. Miss Ora Harness of Dayton, Ohio, called on her parents a few days last week. She returned to Dayton on Thursday. Harold Brunson of Fountain Park is a steady visitor at Mr. Harness' of late.

Don't be superstitions. Reason out causes rather than dwell upon effects.

Don't be pharisaical. Be honest, virtuous, obliging and wise, but don't preach.

Don't be ashamed of your parents. They may be illiterate and dull, but they gave you a chance to become what you are.

Don't miss the opera because you cannot sit among the mighty. The gallery is in some respects more Olympian.

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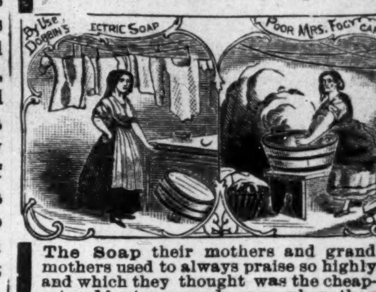

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..CITY NOTES..

Revival services are in progress at Simpson Chapel.

The Rev. Charles Jones, of Rockport, is visiting his family in the city.

James Shelton attended the Lincoln League meeting at Terre Haute this week.

J. H. Thurman formerly of this city president of the Moore poultry farm at Elizabethtown, Ky.

Edward Booker has returned to this city on a visit from the West after an absence of sixteen years.

Major Taylor left Tuesday for Worcester, Mass., after a pleasant visit with friends and relatives.

Try Skin Clear for liver splotches. Nothing better. Elevator 7 S. Meridian street. Knox Hair Parlors.

Mrs. Julia Brown Hillman, of Covington, Ky., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Brown.

An old-fashioned spelling bee took place at the Booker T. Washington Literary Society, at St. Paul Temple, Friday night.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Olivet Baptist church gave a musicale and sociable last Friday evening, for the benefit of the church.

FOR SALE—Creole hair braids to match any hair. Knox Hair Parlors rooms 22-23 Big 4 block corner Washington and Meridian.

Albert Morris and Misses Pearl Hicks and Tillie McGlascon assisted St Paul's Temple choir at the Free Baptist church, in Rhode Island street last Thursday night.

C. Emmet Spires and Madison Knox of Marion, Ind, were in the city Tuesday enroute to Terre Haute, Ind., to attend the meeting of the Lincoln League.

The Ladies' Guild of St. Phillip's mission gave a musicale at Odd Fellows' Hall last Thursday night. This was the last entertainment that will given until after Lent. It was largely attended.

The marriage of Dr. Robert F. Harper and Miss Susie F. Thompson took place Sunday at 6:30 p. m., at the home of the bride, 1116 Fayette street, in the presence of relatives and a few friends. The Rev. H. L. Herod officiated.

The Sewing Circle of Simpson Chapel met with Mrs. Mary Burr, 115 West North street, Thursday afternoon. The Woman's Missionary Society met last Friday afternoon, with Mrs. Mittie Boulden, 1430 North Missouri street.

If you want to spend a pleasant and enjoyable evening at a small expense go to Bethel A. M. E. church at 8:30 p. m., Feb 20, a grand concert to be given by the Y. P. A's, under the management of Messrs. S. G. Given and W. A. Kersey.

Rev. E. L. Gilliam attended the annual meeting of the directors of the Methodist Episcopal Insurance Co., in Chicago this week. He represents the 7th General Conference distrioh, which includes that states of Indiana, Michigan and Kentucky.

Don't forget the concert to be given at Bethel A. M. E. church Feb. 20, by Y. P. A's. One of the features of interest is a joint debate—Resolved that the Negro of America needs special Legislation. Presiding judges; Revs. Gilliam, Hurley, Farrell, Chambers and Gibson, managers W. A. Kersey and S. G. Givens.

The Olive Club met at the home of Charles Carter, and elected the following officers: President, William H. Dangerfield; vice-president, Otis M. Ward; secretary, J. Benny Maxey; assistant secretary, Harry McKay; treasurer, Fred D. Preston; journalist, Charles M. Carter; critic, Fred C. Augusta; sergeant-at-arms, Grant Fisher.

Zeb Smith, of Dark county, Ohio, accompanied by William Stock of Muncie, came to the city Sunday, and the former accidentlly discovered his brother, William McGown, whom he had not heard from for ten years. He also learned of the whereabout of Mrs. Bell Harris, a sister whom he had not seen for twenty years. They spent Sunday as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. McGown, and were accompanied by Mrs. McGowan to Crawfordsville, Monday, to meet Mrs. Harris.

To Graduates Lincoln University.

According to the Resolution of the General Alumni Association, Lincoln University, each Alumnus is requested to immediately send his present address to the Local Secretary, Lincoln University, Chester Co., Pa. By order—General Alumni Association. Rev. Wm. A. Creditt, D. D., Pres; Hon. Jas. S. Lanier, A. M., Sec'y.; P. J. Augustus Coxe, A. B., Local Sec'y.

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Brownsville News.

Brownsville, Tenn., Special—The institute for ministers, deacons, and S. S. Workers was held Jan. 22, 23 and 24, under the supervision of Rev. H. C. Owen at the First Baptist church. Several papers were read and sermons preached during the session. Rev. Owen is doing a much needed work. May success follow his laudable enterprise Rev. Fulton is happy, a bouncing boy, J. H. Fulton, Jr., became a member of his family Jan. 11. Misses Hesse, Rudd, Alberta Reed, Hawkins and Walker have left school to teach during the winter season. Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Reed lost their little baby Jan. 17 May the Lord give them strength to bear the sad bereavement fallen upon them. Mr. and Mrs. Klyce after several years of separation remarried recently and again two hearts beat as one.

Muncie Items.

Muncie, Ind., Special.—The A. M. E. church ladies entertained the G. A. R. Wednesday evening at their hall in the Bishop Block. The Eagle Band accompanied the excursion to the convention held at Portland Tuesday. Mrs. W. H. Stokes who has been confined to her bed for several days is able to be up and about the house at this writing. Mr. Cottman father of Richard Cottman is very ill at the home of the latter in Whitley. The Odd Fellows will give an entertainment and social hop Feb 17, at Star Hall on N. Walnut street. The Eagle Band furnished music for the Valentine Social given A. M. E. church Thursday evening Feb. 13.

HAPPENINGS IN OLD KENTUCKY.

CRAPE UPON THE DOOR OF MANY BEREAVED PARENTS.

Waiters' Reception—Society Notes and General News—Concert at Presbyterian Church, Etc.

Paducah, Ky., Special.

Mrs B. Stringfellow and C. King entertained many friends in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Boyd, Saturday evening, Feb. 8th. Violets and evergreens decorated the interior of the parlor, and the evening was pleasantly spent in music and indoor games. A delightful luncheon was served. L. S. Potter, the blacksmith, is on the sick list. Everybody is all smiles because the lights were turned on Friday nights, Young men should not call upon their girls at such late hours; it's not etiquette, is it Frank? John Glover, of Memphis, Tenn., is visiting his father, Rev. W. E. Glover, on Clay street. Mrs. Hanah Johnson, 1219 Harrison street, after a pleasant visit to her mother in Casket Station, returned home last Sunday.

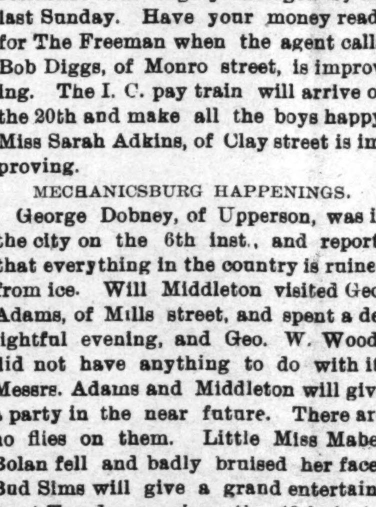
The concert at Cumberland Presbyterian church Wednesday evening, was well attended and a snug little sum was realized. The entertainment was conducted by Mrs. Victoria James.

The following deaths have occurred during the week: The infant of Mr. and Mrs. Moses White, Feb. 4th; the child of Frank Overall, Feb. 3d, age 3 years; the little niece of John Hest, the 8th inst; Georgia Loving was frozen to death the night of the 7th in the stairway of Mocquot's drug store. She was nude but for a blanket around her frozen form. Rev. W. E. Glover, of the First Ward church, and Lawyer Isom Townsend were royally entertained at dinner Thursday evening at the residence of Mrs. Maggie Holt, 1217 Clay street. Sam Clark, of Birmingham, Ala., is the guest of Mrs. Ed. Dickinson, in the North End. The Palmer House porters are looking swell in their uniform. Jewell Maple continues to pilot the Palmer House dining room in the most creditable manner. Mr. Maple has appointed Messrs. O. J. Buckner, R. Montgomery and John Armstrong as a special committee for the Waiters' reception. "Doc," you are in it too. Get The Freeman from Miss Carrie Stanfield, 320 S. Second street; also the latest news. Ladies and gentlemen contemplating making a floral display on Easter Sunday, will do well to call on "Doc" Grant before going elsewhere. Miss Anna L. Launderman is visiting an uncle in Chicago this week. Miss Linnie Hicks is on the sick list. Miss Lucy Dickinson, of Plunkett Hill, is on the sick list. Mrs. Viola Proctor, of S. Seventh street, fell upon the ice and sustained serious injuries. Prof. Jones and orchestra highly appreciate the honor of the Golden Leaf club of Cairo.

Augustus Owens, of Metropolis, Ill., and Miss Gussie Owens, of Johnsonville, Tenn., were united in marriage last week at Johnsonville. The Freeman extends many congratulations. Henry Alexander, of Clay street, is very sick. James Franklin made a brief trip to Brookport, Ill. Bill Thomas, watchman for Buckskin Bill's Wild West show, is improving in health. Henry Nichols, of S. Eleventh street, purchased a beautiful lot in Rowlandtown and is now erecting two handsome dwellings He will also open a restaurant at Eleventh and Broadway. Mrs. Frances Stewart is sick at her home in S. Eighth street. Henry Caldwell's residence was slighly damaged by fire last Sunday. Have your money ready for The Freeman when the agent calls. Bob Diggs, of Moore street, is improving. The I. C. pay train will arrive on the 20th and make all the boys happy. Miss Sarah Adkins, of Clay street is improving.

MECHANICSBURG HAPPENINGS.

George Dobney, of Upperson, was in the city on the 6th inst., and reports that everything in the country is ruined from ice. Will Middleton visited Geo. Adams, of Mills street, and spent a delightful evening, and Geo. W. Woods did not have anything to do with it. Messrs. Adams and Middleton will give a party in the near future. There are no flies on them. Little Miss Mabel Bolan fell and badly bruised her face. Bud Sims will give a grand entertainment Tuesday evening, the 18th inst., at Sims' hall.



INDIANAPOLIS ITEMS.

With the many thousands of our people in this city it seems strange that the Sunday-schools are so poorly attended. In proportion to the size of their membership there is not a church in the city that has a Sunday-school of respectable size.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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We are authorized to announce
Henry W. Tutewiler
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We are authorized to announce
William E. Davis
as a candidate for Clerk of Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce
Fred K. Shepard
as a candidate for Auditor of Marion county, subject to the decison of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce
E. Octavus Mack
as a candidate for Justice of the Peace of Center township, Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce
E. J. Robison
as a candidate for County Treasurer, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce
Clinton L. Hare
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We are authorized to announce
John C. Ruckelshaus
as a candidate for Prosecuting Attorney of Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce
John McGregor
as a candidate for County Commissioner of Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce
Robert Metzger
as a candidate for Sheriff of Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce
A. W. Brayton
as a candidate for Coroner of Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce
Daniel L. Brown
as a candidate for Criminal Judge of Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce
Cyrus J. Clark
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We are authorized to announce
Joseph R. Morgan
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We are authorized to announce
Larz A. Whitcomb
as a candidate for Joint Senator for Marion and Morgan counties, subject to the decision of the Republican nominating convention.

We are authorized to announce
Wm. P. Regan
as a candidate for Joint Senator for Marion and Morgan counties, subject to the decision of the Republican nominating convention.

We are authorized to announce
Chas. W. Brown
as a candidate for Representative of Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce
Edward S. R. Seguin
as a candidate for Auditor of Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

The graduating exercises of school 24, or rather the "William McCoy School," were witnessed by a large number of patrons and friends. A class of eighteen bright boys and girls were graduated and will enter high schools—fourteen to the Manual Training and four to the Shortridge. The singing and addresses were of high order, and reflect credit upon Prof. Williams and Mrs. Buelah Porter, who had charge of the music.

The sick list of Simpson continues large and includes, this week, Mrs. Slaughter, Miss Katie Miles, Mrs. Hallie Grady, Mrs. Sallie Fishback, Mrs. Emily Morgan, Mrs. Emma Hopkins, Mrs. Eliza Scott, Mrs. Delila Thrift, Jordan Montgomery and Thos Bowman.

The Lexington Conference will meet in Cincinnati, March 26, and the pastor and members of Simpson are getting ready for that day.

The Ministerial Union will meet each Wednesday at Simpson Chapel at 2 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended the pastors and local preachers to attend.

A son of Rev. Henry Griffin was buried from Simpson last Thursday. He had been afflicted many years.

Will some one kindly inform the editor why it is that, as a rule, those of our people who are competent to teach our Sunday-schools, and to lead in our young peoples christian societies, will not do so. The churches of this city fail to interest more than a few of our educated people in our Christian Endeavor, Epworth League, Baptist Young Peoples' Union or Sunday-schools. Why?

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Dear kind readears of The Freeman, for nine long years I have, and am yet, bothered with that awful disease, catarrh; I am not able to work and make money. I am also bothered day and night with a roaring in my head that has caused me to be hard of hearing. I now wish you all to give me what you can, large or small I will be thankful. You can send postoffice money order, or express order. All I say is the truth.

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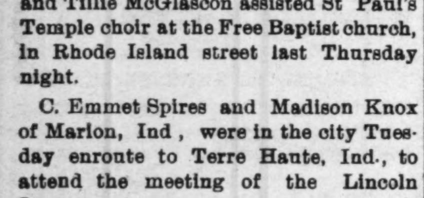

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New York, Feb. 8.—Spot cotton closed steady and ⅛c higher; middling uplands, 8⅝c; middling gulf, 8⅞c. Sales, none.

New Orleans, Feb. 10.—Cotton quiet and steady. Sales, 4,550 bales. Ordinary, 7¾c; good ordinary, 7⅛c; low middling, 7⅝c; middling, 8c; good middling, 8⅜c; middling fair, 9c. Receipts, 14,548 bales; stock, 344,489 bales.

New York, Feb. 10—Cotton—Spot closed quiet, 1-16c lower: middling uplands, 8 9-16c; middling gulf, 8 13-16c. Sales, 340 bales.

New York, Feb. 11.—Cotton—Spot closed steady at ⅛c higher; middling uplands, 8 11-16c; middling gulf, 8 15-16c. Sales, 1,328 bales.

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